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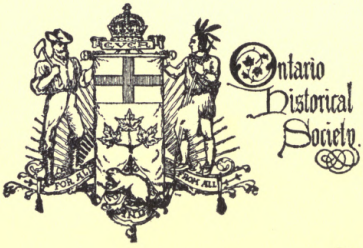

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The meetings of our Society have been well attended during the year. Pioneer Day has been kept during the Industrial Fair, and a luncheon held which was largely attended. The large attendance at the Pioneers' Cabin continues, and many objects of interest are exhibited there from year to year.

The Society is to be congratulated upon the near completion of the Simcoe monument, which will be unveiled during 1903. The foundation (in the Queen's Park, Toronto) is now being laid. We regret to record the death of Vice-President Charles McCaffrey, who will be much missed at our gatherings.

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On June 23rd, 1901, the Lundy's Lane Historical Society took part in the ceremony of unveiling the monument to Laura Ingersoll Secord.

On July 25th the Society decorated the graves of British soldiers who fought and fell at Lundy's Lane in 1814. The monument on the battlefield was decorated with wreaths and flags.

On October 19th the remains of nine United States soldiers were interred near the grave of Captain Hull. The immediate direction of the re-interment was under the United States Consul at Niagara Falls, Ont., the Hon. Harlam Brush, assisted by Rev. Canon Bull, Major Fred. Hill and Surgeon (Dr.) Thompson of the 44th Welland Battalion. A company of United States soldiers from Fort Niagara, N.Y., were present, and a detachment of the 44th Welland Battalion.

The fifth volume of "Documentary History," by Col. Cruikshank, will be issued by the Society in July next. This will contain some remarkable letters by a British officer relating to the battle of Stoney Creek, 1813.

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Rev. Canon Bull, Lieut.-Col. Cruikshank, Sir James Lemoine, J. Ross Robertson, Wm. Gibson, David Boyle, Major Hiscott, E. A. Lancaster, M.P., and Dr. Jessop, M.P.P.

Seven stone markers have been placed as follows: (1) The house built by Comte de Puisaye in 1798; (2) Site of Government House in the time of Simcoe; (3) *Gleaner* printing office, 1817, and Masonic Hall, 1792; (4) Military Hospital and Indian Council House; (5) Brock's grave at Fort George from 1812 to 1824; (6) Navy Hall; (7) Place where bodies of soldiers were found lately, killed May 27th, 1813.

We have between forty and fifty members, and exchange with twenty societies and have distributed during the year four hundred copies of our publications. Many additions have been made to our Historical Room, which now contains over fifteen hundred articles. We have had more visitors than in any previous year. An historical column still appears in the local paper. We have published during the year No. 8, "Family History": "The Servos and Whitmore Families," by Wm. Kirby, F.R.S.C.; "Robert Lund," by John H. Lund; "Jarvis Letters," by Miss M. A. FitzGibbon. We now have in press No. 10, "Inscriptions and Graves in the Niagara Peninsula," containing references to fifty graveyards, and our next publication, No. 9, will be a paper by Col. Cruikshank. Small grants from the county and from the Ontario Government provided for the printing.

ELGIN HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE, ST. THOMAS, ONTARIO.

President - - - - -	J. W. Stewart.
Vice-President - - - -	S. Silcox, B.A.
Secretary-Treasurer - - -	K. W. McKay.
Assistant Secretary - - -	W. H. Murch.
Curator - - - - - -	Mrs. W. Smith.
Editor - - - - - -	J. H. Coyne, B.A.

Council, 1901.

Judge Ermatinger, W. Atkin, P.S.I., Mrs. Gustin, W. B. Waterbury, F. Hunt, Mrs. S. Burns and Mrs. J. H. Wilson.

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Editor - - - - - - Judge Ermatinger.

Council, 1902.

Mrs. J. H. Wilson, Mrs. S. E. Burns, Mrs. E. W. Gustin, Mrs. F. M. Griffin, Mrs. S. Chant, W. Atkin, C. Oakes and J. H. Coyne, B.A.

A resolution was passed inviting the Ontario Historical Society to visit St. Thomas in 1903 in connection with the centennial of the Talbot Settlement. The museum collection has been increased and valuable donations made to the library.

The following lectures have been given: "The United Empire Loyalists in 1783 and 1901," by Sir John Bourinot; "The Greek, the Roman, the Englishman and the Frenchman," by Prof. Maurice Hutton, Toronto; "The Historian's Sphere of Work," by Rev. George M. Wrong, B.A., Toronto; "Impressions of Travel," by

James H. Coyne, B.A.; "The Link between Plant and Animal," by S. Silcox, B.A.; "The Development of the Novel," by O. J. Stevenson, B.A.; "The Scenic Wonders of Europe," by Frank Yeigh, Toronto.

Officers of the Ladies' Auxiliary.

President	Mrs. J. H. Wilson.
1st Vice-President	" J. H. Coyne.
2nd Vice-President	" C. O. Ermatinger.
3rd Vice-President	" D. O'Shea.
Corresponding Secretary	" Gustin.
Recording Secretary	" S. Silcox.
Assistant Recording Secretary	Miss Claris.
Treasurer	Mrs. E. Conghill.
Assistant Treasurer	Miss F. McLachlin.
Curator	Mrs. W. St. Thomas Smith.

The Ladies' Branch have been especially active, and the following papers have been read at their meeting: "History of the Church of the Holy Angels, St. Thomas," "History of St. John's Church, St. Thomas," "Early Schools and School Teaching," "History of St. Thomas Schools," "Habits and Customs of Early Settlers," "Sketch of Early Furniture and Domestic Utensils," "Early Political Events," "Indian Picture Writing," "Roads and Modes of Transportation," "Early Surveys of Elgin," "History of the Drake Family," "Sketch of Laura Secord," "Pioneer History of John Andrews," "History of the Bannerman Family."

WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

President	F. W. Fearman.
1st Vice-President	Mrs. Edward Martin.
2nd Vice-President	Charles Lemon.
3rd Vice-President	Mrs. J. Rose-Holden.
Secretary-Treasurer	Justus A. Griffin.
Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. C. Fessenden.

Executive Council.

Mayor Fred. Snider, S. F. Lazier, K.C., R. T. Lancefield, Rev. E. M. Bland, J. W. Jones, J. G. Y. Burkholder, John H. Law, Mrs. S. Slater and Mrs. S. Carry.

It is with deep regret that the Society record the death of an ex-president, Mr. George H. Mills, whose long and untiring efforts on behalf of the Wentworth Historical Society are so well known. A sketch of his labors and a portrait will be found in a recent publication.

The following papers have been given: "The Constitutional Development of Canada," by Prof. Adam Shortt, Queen's University; "Odds and Ends of Early Life in Hamilton," by Mr. Frank Kidner.

We have secured a correct plan of the battle ground of Stoney Creek. One rough sketch was given by Mr. Isaac Lewis, of Grimsby; another by Mr. Edward Coleman, President Stoney Creek Historical Society; and still another from Mr. D. B. Galbraith, Hamilton. The Indian trails, location of houses and church, also origin of the much-disputed Lane clearing, are thus settled.

Mainly through the efforts of the Wentworth Historical Society, the Park Commissioners of the City of Hamilton have established a museum of historical and scientific articles in Dundurn Castle. Mrs. C. Fessenden, Corresponding Secretary of the Society, has been appointed curator of the museum.

Officers of Ladies' Committee.

Hon. President - - - -	Mrs. W. E. Sandford.
President - - - - -	" M. E. Rose-Holden.
1st Vice-President - - - -	" J. H. Land.
2nd Vice-President - - -	" R. G. Sutherland.
Treasurer - - - - -	" Edward Martin.
Secretary - - - - -	Miss Ferris.

SIMCOE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Hon. President - - - -	Hon. J. R. Gowan.
President - - - - -	Judge J. A. Ardagh.
Vice-Presidents - - - -	Judge Boys, Dr. C. E. Jakeway, M. G. H. Hale.
Secretary - - - - -	A. F. Hunter, M.A.
Treasurer - - - - -	George Sneath.
Auditor, 1901 - - - -	J. Darby.
Auditor, 1902 - - - -	James Edwards.

Executive Committee.

Alex. Smith, W. H. Hewson and S. L. Soules.

The Society have received various maps and documents relating to the early history of Simcoe County, and have on hand several manuscripts awaiting publication, which has been delayed owing to the limited funds at our disposal. We have made increased efforts to have the old unused graveyards of Barrie placed in a better state of repair. Number of members, 34.

LAMBTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Hon. President - - - -	Hon. Alexander Vidal.
President - - - - -	F. A. Watson.
1st Vice-President - - - -	Henry Ingram.
2nd Vice-President - - -	Joseph Savoy.
Secretary - - - - -	J. Adams.
Treasurer - - - - -	Daniel McCort.

Owing to the illness of the secretary very little progress has been made, although a great deal of valuable material has been collected for future use.

HALTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

President - - - - -	Dr. Robertson.
Secretary - - - - -	R. Coates.

Executive Committee.

T. G. Matheson, J. S. Deacon, M. Clements, Mrs. G. Bowes, Mrs. T. G. Matheson, J. W. Elliott, W. H. Young and Rev. Canon Belt.

The annual report contains reference to a number of interesting papers on the early settlement of Halton—one by Mrs. C. P. Preston, of Hornby; another by Mr. Benjamin D. Walker, jun. Much information about pioneer days has been collected on early churches, schools, pioneer ministers, first burials, etc.; also, a letter from Mrs. Wm. McCraney, of Vancouver, B.C., on the "New Punchean" settlement.

The beginning of a museum has been made, and contributions are asked for.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF TORONTO.

ORGANIZED NOVEMBER 19TH, 1805.
INCORPORATED FEBRUARY 14TH, 1896.

Honorary President - - -	Miss Mowat.
Past Presidents - - - -	Mrs. S. A. Curzon, Lady Edgar.
President - - - - -	Mrs. Forsyth Grant.
1st Vice-President - - - -	" James Bain.
2nd Vice-President - - -	" Edward Leigh.
Treasurer - - - - -	Miss Evelyn Cox, 8 Wellesley Place.
Corresponding Secretary - -	Miss FitzGibbon, 94 Willcocks Street.
Recording Secretary - - -	Miss C. Boulton.

Executive Committee.

Miss Beard, Miss Mickle, Mrs. J. A. Paterson, Miss Ellerby, Miss Curzon and Mrs. Willoughby Cummings.

The following papers have been read: "The Settlement of the U. E. Loyalists," by Miss Josephine MacCallum; "The History of St. James' Vestry," by Mrs. Forsyth Grant; "History of St. Andrew's Church," by Miss Bessie MacMurchy; "Hare-Spence System of Voting," by Mr. Robert Tyson; "Relation of Literature to National Life," by Prof. A. P. Coleman; "Madame de la Peltrie," by Mrs. Forsyth Grant; "Letters from an Officer's Diary, 1836," by Rev. A. U. de Pencier: "Seigniorial Tenure," by J. H. Ferguson Metis (read by Mr. Drummond); "Kipling, the Colonial," by Miss Jean Graham; "Canadian Boundaries and their Determination," by Thomas Hodgins.

The Memorial Hall Fund now amounts to $2,527, $1,714.82 of which was the profits of the Woman's Memorial *Star*, issued May 23rd, 1901.

The Information Bureau has been a great success, and Miss Teefy has read a very clever paper on "Yonge Street," compiled from material collected in her department of the work.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF OTTAWA.

Patroness - - - - - The Countess of Minto.
Hon. President - - - - Lady Laurier.
President - - - - - Mrs. S. E. Dawson.
1st Vice-President - - - - Mrs. Gwynne.
2nd Vice-President - - - Lady Ritchie.
3rd Vice-President - - - - Mme. Pigeon.
4th Vice-President - - - - Mrs. R. Ells.
Lady Bourinot, Lady Davies, Lady Strong, Mme. Sulte, Mrs. Friel, Mme. Girouard, Mrs. Geo. E. King, Mrs. Chas. Goodeve, Mrs. J. L. McDougall, Mrs. H. Phinney, Mrs. Roper, Mrs. Burbridge, Mrs. A. Burritt, Mrs. Chas. O'Connor.
Recording Secretary - - - Miss Alice Burbridge, 237 Metcalf Street.
Treasurer - - - - - Mrs. Ahearn.
Librarian - - - - - Miss Northwood, 330 Chapel Street.
Corresponding Secretary - - Mrs. Welbridge Howard.

Executive Committee.

Mrs. Sedgewick, Mrs. B. Powell, Mrs. A. Burritt, Mrs. Martin Griffin, Mrs. J. Lorn McDougall, jr., Mrs. Costigan, Mrs. W. W. Campbell, Mme. LeLievre, Mme. LaMothe, Mrs. H. Allan Bate.

Committees were appointed in 1901 to collect (1) Memoirs of the old inhabitants,

(2) To form scrap-books and collect pamphlets connected with the early history of the capital, (3) To gather sketches of the various philanthropic and charitable institutions, and have met with much success. The resignation of Mrs. George E. Foster, who has been president since the organization of the Society, is much regretted.

The following papers were read: "Account of the Settlement of part of Leeds County," by Mrs. J. L. McDougall, sen.; "Sketch of Jane Craig, a Revolutionary Heroine," by Mrs. Ahearn; "Sketch of Ursuline Convent," by Mme. La Mothe; "Ottawa in 1868" and "A Story of the Cholera in 1833," by Mrs. Kirwin; "A Reminiscence of the Visit of His Excellency the Earl of Kincardine in 1853," by Mrs. Friel; "Schools and Schoolmasters of Ottawa," by Mrs. Jamieson; "Philipsburg," by Miss Read; "The Great Fire of 1870," by Mrs. Bradish Billings; "Industrial Development of Ottawa and Hull," by Mrs. Roper.

PETERBOROUGH HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Hon. President - - - -	His Honor Judge Weller.
President - - - - -	Lt.-Col. H. C. Rogers.
Vice-Presidents - - - -	Richard Hall, J. B. McWilliams, Mrs. Birdsall.
Secretary - - - - -	T. A. S. Hay.
Treasurer - - - - -	Mrs. Wilson.

Executive Council.

Lt.-Col. Edwards, D. Spence, F. R. Yokome, W. J. Francis, Rev. J. C. Davidson, E. Elcome, Dr. Harrison.

Museum Board.

Dr. Burnham, H. T. Strickland and T. A. S. Hay. The Mayor, T. H. G. Deane, and Aldermen Edgecomb and Corkery, for the Town Council. The Warden, Thomas Eastland, and Councillors Peake and Cusconant, for the County Council. Messrs. Hall and McGill, trustees for the Nicholl's Estate.

The Victoria Museum has received many additions during the past two years and has been visited by many hundreds of people. Our Treasurer, Mrs. MacFarlane Wilson, with the help of "Kit," of the *Mail and Empire*, has been able to erect a Celtic cross over the grave of Isabella Valency Crawford, who for many years resided here.

BRUCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

President - - -	Lt.-Col. A. C. Belcher, Southampton.
Secretary - - -	Norman Robertson, M.A., Walkerton.

A vice-president to represent each municipality and Indian Reserve in the county, twenty-nine in all.

Steps are being taken to have the County Council assist in the publication of the history of the county, which is being prepared by Norman Robertson, M.A. Though only organized in September, 1901, the Society has about fifty members.

WOMEN'S WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

President - - - - -	Mrs. John Calder.
1st Vice-President - - - -	" John S. Hendrie.
2nd Vice-President - - -	" R. R. Waddell.
3rd Vice-President - - - -	" J. M. Gibson.
4th Vice-President - - - -	" John Crerar.
Recording Secretary - - -	Miss Emily Colquhoun.
Corresponding Secretary - -	" Minnie Jean Nisbet.
Treasurer - - - - -	" Annie Hendrie.
Historian - - - - -	" Isabel Burrows.

OXFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

President - - - - -	T. Hart.
1st Vice-President - - - -	A. H. Wilson.
2nd Vice-President - - -	J. W. Whealy.
Secretary-Treasurer - - -	W. Munro.
Editor - - - - - -	G. R. Pattullo.

Council.

T. H. Park, F. R. Ball, G. R. Pattullo, W. Munro and J. Cameron.

The following papers have been read and published in the local papers: "Browsings from an Old Pasture," by R. W. Sawtell; "History of the Congregation of Old St. Paul's," by Bishop Sweatman; "The Visit of the Prince of Wales to Woodstock," by R. W. Sawtell; "Wild Fowl and Birds of Passage," by J. Cameron; "Noxious and Foul Weeds," by J. Cameron; "Life History of the late Joseph Brown" (illustrated by maps and documents nearly a century old), by T. Hart.

PEEL PIONEER SOCIETY.

President - - - - -	Eli Crawford.
1st Vice-President - - - -	James Jackson.
2nd Vice-President - - -	R. Looves.
3rd Vice-President - - - -	E. J. Walsh.
4th Vice-President - - - -	Geo. Corkett.
Secretary - - - - -	L. Cheyne.
Treasurer - - - - -	R. H. Hodgson.

Executive Committee.

Thomas Morphy, K. Chisholm, Rev. G. N. Rutledge, John Smith, M.P.P.

PERTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

President - - - - -	Nelson Monteith, M.P.P.
1st Vice-President - - - -	His Hon. Judge Woods.
2nd Vice-President - - -	John Idington, K.C.
Secretary-Treasurer - - -	Robert Lizars Smith.
Joint Secretary - - - -	Wm. Buckingham.

Council.

Dr. Sparks, St. Mary's; Wm. Johnston, Blanshard; C. A. Mayberry, B.A.; D. D. Way, J. D. Stewart, Russeldale, and Wm. Irvine, P.S.I.

The publication of a history of the county has been urged by many members, but owing to the difficulty of financing such an important work, and with the duties on hand it is feared that at present it is beyond the resources of the Society.

Papers have been read as follows: "Places, Names and their Origin in Perth County," by Mr. J. Idington, K.C.; "The Work of Historical Societies," by Miss M. A. FitzGibbon; "Early Exploration in Ontario," by J. H. Coyne, B.A., President Ontario Historical Society.

NORFOLK HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

President - - - - -	H. B. Donley.
Secretary - - - - -	John J. Wadsworth.
Curator - - - - - -	Henry Johnston.

Councillors.

Rev. R. Hicks and Frank Reid.

The Society has held its usual meeting and also three outings—one to Turkey Point and other points near Charlotteville, the next to Woodhouse and Port Dover, and the third to Port Rowan and vicinity. A large number of maps and documents have been given to the Society, and owing to the increase in membership we have been granted the use of the council chamber for our meetings.

PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

President - - - - -	Judge Merrill.
Vice-President - - - -	Geo. O. Alcorn, K.C., M.P.
Corresponding Secretary - -	Albert C. Bowerman.
Treasurer - - - - -	Charles H. Widdifield.

BELLEVILLE AND BAY OF QUINTE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Hon. President - - - -	Lt.-Col. Helliwell.
President - - - - -	Mrs. J. G. Terrill.
1st Vice-President - - - -	J. F. Jeffers.
2nd Vice-President - - -	Mrs. L. W. Yeomans.
Treasurer - - - - -	Mrs. May.
Corresponding Secretary - -	A. McGinnis.
Recording Secretary - - -	D. Barrager.

Executive Committee.

Mrs. W. W. Pope, Col. Ponton, Miss A. Lister and Sir Mackenzie Bowell.

Honorary Members.

A. F. Wood, Fred. Seymour, B.A., Madoc; T. W. Casey, Napanee; Judge Merrill, Picton; A. T Petrie, F. Wallbridge, Mrs. Williams and Mrs. W. M. Ponton.

Papers dealing with the lives of the early settlers and other matters of local interest have been contributed by Mrs. J. W. Johnston, Lt.-Col. Ponton, and others.

The Society have arranged for a proper place to store their books, papers, etc., which will in time form the nucleus of a local museum. The Society regret to have to record the death of two of its most valued members—Mrs. (Rev.) M. A. McLean and Miss I. Murney.

COUNTY OF VICTORIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Hon. President - - -	His Honor Judge Dean, M.A., LL.D.
President - - - -	W. H. Stevens, B.A.
1st Vice-President - -	C. D. Barr.
2nd Vice-President - -	W. F. O'Boyle.
Secretary - - - -	Miss E. G. Flavelle, B.A.
Assistant Secretary - -	Miss M. L. Taylor.
Treasurer - - - -	I. E. Weldon.

Executive Committee.

W. L. Herriman, M.D., V. C. Cornwall, M.D., E. A. Hardy, B.A., H. J. Lytle, R. J. McLaughlin, D. R. Anderson and M. M. Boyd.

An effort has been made to interest the municipalities in the work of historical research and to gather material for future use. Committees have been appointed in each municipality to work with the central committee.

A grant of twenty-five dollars has been received from the county council to be expended in books, which is a nucleus of what we hope will be a good library.

Conveners of Municipal Committees.—Mr. Samuel Suddaby, Burnt River, Somerville; Mr. J. C. Gilchrist, Woodville; Mr. C. E. Stewart, Bobcaygeon; Mr. Edward Butterworth, Uphill (Digby); Mr. John A. Jackson, Lorneville; Mr. George W. Taylor, Bobcaygeon (Verulam); Mr. Charles Grandby, Omemee (Emily).

LONDON AND MIDDLESEX HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Hon. President - - - -	Sir John Carling.
President - - - - -	Dr. C. T. Campbell.
1st Vice-President - - - -	Mrs. James Egan.
2nd Vice-President - - -	Mrs. H. F. English.
Corresponding Secretary - -	Dr. W. M. English.
Recording Secretary - - -	Mrs. J. Gahan.
Assistant Recording Secretary - -	Miss Florence Mitchell.
Treasurer - - - - -	H. Macklin.
Curator - - - - - -	Dr. Wolverton.

Executive Committee.

Rev. J. G. Stuart, B.A., Col. John MacBeth, Miss Priddis, John Cameron, P.M., C. B. Edwards, M.A., John Dearness, M.A.

Papers have been read by Sir John Carling, Mr. W. J. Imlach, Judge Elliott, Judge Hughes (St. Thomas), V. Cronyn, Esq., Mrs. Gilbert Porte, Mr. Harry Gorman (Sarnia), Mr. John Dearness, Dr. Wolverton, J. H. Coyne, Sir John Bourinot, and Miss M. A. FitzGibbon.

The annual meetings are held as nearly as possible to March 2nd—the anniversary of Governor Simcoe's visit to the present site of London. The Society has a membership of about 60.

THE WOMEN'S HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF BOWMANVILLE.

ORGANIZED JANUARY 13TH, 1902.

President - - - - -	Miss M. L. Moffatt.
Vice-President - - - -	Mrs. D. B. Simpson.
Secretary - - - - -	Miss Margaret A. Allen ("Drumsalla").
Treasurer - - - - -	Mrs. Lestock H. Reed.

Executive.

Miss Reid, Miss Fairbairn, Miss Allen, Miss McLaughlin and Miss Winnifred Beith.

A small collection of curios and historical relics and maps have been gathered and a paper on "Old Bowmanville Days" was read by Mr. Fairbairn, and a talk on "Historical Societies" by Miss M. A. FitzGibbon.

U. E. LOYALISTS' ASSOCIATION.

HEAD OF THE LAKE BRANCH.

(NOTE.—Not yet formally affiliated.)

Hon. President - - - -	J. E. O'Reilly.
President - - - - -	His Honor Judge Snider.
Vice-Presidents - - - -	S. F. Lazier, K.C. W. A. H. Duff.

Committee.

J. H. Smith, A. C. Beasley, J. M. Dingwall, W. G. Moore, Justus Griffin, Edwin Mills.

Hon. Secretary-Treasurer - - H. H. Robertson.

Ladies' Committee.

Mrs. P. D. Crerar (Chairman), Mrs. Husband, Mrs. Nelson Mills, Mrs. Thomas Miller, Mrs. Strathy, Mrs. Stanley Mills, Mrs. Waddell, Mrs. Stuart Strathy, Miss Carpenter, Miss Smith.

Head of the Lake Branch First Annual Report, 1902-1903.

Your Committee report that the progress of this Branch of the U. E. Loyalists' Association of Ontario has been gratifying, the total membership of the Branch, including families, now being fifty-nine, exclusive of associate memhers. Changes have been made in the Constitution of the General Association in the past year as follows: Amendment to Article II. of the Constitution, to add after the word "Members," "Provided that branches may also choose an honorary president, two vice-presidents, a secretary and an assistant secretary, an executive committee of not more than six members, and a ladies' committee of not more than twelve. The presiding officer of the Ladies' Committee may also be a member of the Executive Committee." "Also, that no person coming to Canada from the United States after the year 1796 shall be considered as a U. E. Loyalist ancestor unless it can be clearly demonstrated that he or she was entitled to be so considered."

A form of opening and closing meetings, and reception of members, has also been adopted by the Association, all of which will be set forth in the forthcoming number of the Transactions now in the press.

The officers elected at the first meeting have remained for the year.

During the year addresses have been delivered as follows:

On March 11th, 1902, by the President, "Reminiscences of the War of 1812."

On April 8th, by the Secretary, "The Narrative of John Peters."

On May 13th, by Mrs. Powell, "Extract from a Diary, descriptive of a Canoe Trip from Montreal to Detroit in 1783."

On June 13th, by the Secretary, "Burgoyne's Campaign and Loyal Americans," illustrated by lime-light views.

On December 9th Miss N. M. Clarkson, Honorary Secretary, read a paper by T. S. Arnold, entitled "The Battle of the Thames and the Death of Tecumseh."

On January 14th, 1903, by J. H. Smith, "History of Hamilton."

It is the desire of your Committee that every member of the Association should furnish a paper in furtherance of its objects, "to preserve the history and traditions of the Loyalist families before it is too late." This can be done by every member contributing the narrative of his or her U. E. Loyalist ancestor, and it is to be hoped that the ensuing year will see additional contributions in this direction.

A list of members, together with the financial statement for the year, is appended hereto.

Early in the year a complete set of the Transactions of the Association was donated to the Hamilton Public Library, and through the instrumentality of the Association copies of "The Settlement of Upper Canada," by Dr. Canniff; "The History of the County of Dundas," by Croil, and of "Lunenburgh; or, The Eastern District," by the late Judge Pringle, of Cornwall, all dedicated to the descendants of the U. E. Loyalists, were obtained and placed in the Hamilton Public Library.

The importance of maintaining the historical branch of the museum begun at Dundurn is impressed upon the members of the Association; and if an amalgamation of the various small collections could be made at this central point, a really good museum would result. Steps should be taken to bring this about, and the good-will of the Parks Committee of the city obtained to that end.

H. H. Robertson,
Honorary Secretary.

Hamilton, February 10th, 1903.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ONTARIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

HAMILTON, June 6th, 1900.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society began this morning in the City Council Chambers, the attendance of delegates being fairly large. Mr. J. H. Coyne, B.A., St. Thomas, President, was in the chair; Mayor Teetzel formally welcomed the delegates to the city, and he referred pleasantly to his long acquaintance with the President. President Coyne expressed the Society's thanks for the greeting, and said that the Mayor was the first articled clerk in his office in St. Thomas, when he began the practice of law.

The Secretary read the minutes of the last annual meeting, which on motion were adopted, also his annual report.

During the year three new societies had been affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society, and there were one thousand two hundred members of the affiliated societies. The Ontario Historical Society had one hundred and sixty-nine members. There was a large quantity of valuable manuscript in its possession, but owing to lack of funds this matter could not be published.

Mr. James made explanation regarding the Plains of Abraham. The attention of the Society was directed to the paper prepared by Mr. A. G. Doughty, of Quebec, published by the Royal Society of Canada, in which Mr. Doughty adduces proof that the old race-course was not the site of the battle of the Plains of Abraham, but that the greater portion of the site is still in the hands of the Federal Government.

Mrs. E. J. Thompson, Toronto, reported for the Laura Secord Monument Committee. She regretted not having met with better success. There had been four hundred and fifty-one dollars and seventy-one cents subscribed, of which the Historical Societies had given one hundred and sixty-two dollars and seventy cents, only half of them subscribing. The subscriptions included fifty-eight dollars and eighty-one cents from one cent collections taken in public schools. Mrs. Thompson wanted the Society to decide as to whether or not the monument should be erected with the money on hand, instead of waiting for the thousand dollars at first calculated on. It was agreed that the matter should be considered in committee this afternoon and a report presented to the Convention to-morrow morning.

Moved by Mrs. Calder, seconded by Mr. Yeigh, that the Monument Committee meet this afternoon at half-past three and prepare a report to be presented to the Society on Thursday morning. Carried.

Mrs. Fessenden, of this city, read the report of the Flag and Commemoration Committee. In response to the questions as to whether the Canadian flag should have on its field the maple leaf or the Dominion Coat of Arms, Mrs. Fessenden had received replies from many school teachers, the majority favoring the maple leaf. She regretted that the flag was not more in evidence in this country.

Moved by Mrs. Fessenden, seconded by Mr. J. Adams, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Mr. Barlow Cumberland referred to the work of Mrs. Fessenden, making special reference to the inauguration of Empire Day, in which Canada has afforded an example to Britain and her colonies.

Canon Bland, of Hamilton, in a short, appropriate speech, stated that the Muskoka Lakes Association had flown a flag made up of the green maple leaf on a white ground.

Moved by Mr. Cumberland, seconded by Mr. Adams, that the Government of Canada be requested to have the maple leaf, which is the recognized emblem of Canada, placed upon the Dominion Ensign instead of the Coat of Arms, as at present shown. Carried.

Mr. Hunter's notice of motion to amend the Constitution was then considered, remarks being made upon it by Miss FitzGibbon, Mr. James Mr. Hunter and others.

Mr. Adams, of Sarnia, pointed out that the effect of the change where small societies are concerned would be prejudicial, and moved that the word "thirty" be substituted for "fifty" in the first clause. This was seconded by Miss Carnochan and carried on the understanding that the change should not take effect till next year. The second clause was allowed to stand over for consideration the following day.

Rev. Dr. Blackstock moved, seconded by Mr. A. F. Hunter, that the President name a committee of five to nominate officers for the year.

Mrs. M. E. Rose Holden, of Hamilton, read an interesting paper on the Brant flag, and as an object lesson in patriotism she displayed the old torn banner.

At twelve o'clock the members adjourned to Dundurn Castle, whither they were conveyed from the City Hall by street cars. Here luncheon was provided for the delegates and others to the number of one hundred, by Mr. Fearman, President of the Wentworth Historical Society. After the meal, a vote of thanks was passed to the Wentworth Historical Society, for the excellent arrangements they had made, and to Mr.

Fearman for his hospitality in providing luncheon. In reply to these, a splendid speech was delivered by Adam Brown, Esq.

After luncheon the delegates were conveyed by special electric cars to the old Gage Homestead on the Stoney Creek battlefield. They were entertained by the Wentworth Women's Historical Society. Mrs. Calder, President of the Society, welcomed the guests to the grounds.

Miss Nisbet read a paper, "The Romance of a Wentworth Pioneer," which contained a number of biographical and genealogical facts. A poem, "Raise the Flag," by Edward G. Nelson, of St. John, New Brunswick, was read by Mr. Frank Yeigh.

Miss FitzGibbon explained the events in connection with the Battle of Stoney Creek (the day being an anniversary), pointing out the positions of the contending forces. Remarks were then made by Mrs. Calder.

A resolution was moved by Mr. Adams, of Sarnia, seconded by Mr. Doel, that the Canadians were to be congratulated upon the Relief of Pretoria. Mr. Coyne explained that Captain Roberts, who took Mackinaw in 1812, was the uncle of Field Marshal Roberts. Remarks were made by Miss FitzGibbon and Mr. Pattullo. Papers were read by Mrs. Munro, "Our Indian Allies;" and Mr. J. H. Thompson, "How our History was Written," it being an account of the business affairs of the Jubilee history of Thorold Town and Township.

Moved by Mr. Joshua Adams, seconded by Mr. Doel, and

Resolved, "That the Ontario Historical Society and the several other Societies affiliated therewith and represented at this meeting, convened on the historic ground of the Battle of Stoney Creek in 1813, desire to express our thankfulness and gratitude to God for the great success of the British arms under General Lord Roberts, in the results of their operations in South Africa. And we are especially proud of the foremost part our brave Canadian soldiers have taken in conjunction with the contingents from the Australian and other colonies of the British Empire." Carried with cheers.

Refreshments were served, and the ladies were formally thanked by President Coyne and Mr. Barlow Cumberland, Toronto.

The meeting then adjourned till the evening, to meet at eight o'clock, in the City Hall.

Evening Session.

City Hall.

President Coyne opened the meeting by reading his annual address. He regretted that the Government was unable to grant the Society's request for an increased grant. Complimentary reference was made to Dr. George Hodgins' address to Canadian Historical Societies, on "School Room Decoration in Ontario," and the following resolution was passed, on motion of Rev. Canon Bull, Niagara Falls South, seconded by Rev. Dr. Blackstock:

"That the Ontario Historical Society desires highly to commend the recent address by Dr. J. Geo. Hodgins, Toronto, to Canadian Historical Societies, on 'School Room Decoration in Ontario—Historical and Patriotic.' This Society trusts that as the address has been widely circulated among Historical Societies and Public School Boards, it will receive the prompt consideration of each one of those influential bodies, which the subject demands. The Society begs to extend its best thanks to Dr. Hodgins for a copy of his able address, and requests the Secretary especially to intimate the same to him."

A resolution complimentary to Colonel Cruikshank, Fort Erie, the well-known historian, was passed on motion of Canon Bull, seconded by Miss Carnochan, Niagara, as follows:

"That the Ontario Historical Society desires to recognize the merits of Colonel Cruikshank, Fort Erie, and to esteem him very highly for his long service and labor of love in the study and cultivation of Canadian historical literature. This Society desires to emphasize the great credit that is due to Colonel Cruikshank, especially for his latest work, entitled 'Documentary History,' which very shortly will reach Volume IV., in all, comprising about one thousand two hundred pages."

Addresses were given by Messrs. Kirkwood, Martin, of the Hamilton Canadian Club, and J. H. Long.

Mr. A. B. McKenzie, Toronto, and Mrs. Rose Holden, this city, moved a resolution to the effect that the owners of the Hotel Brant should be requested to fix a tablet near the front entrance to the hotel to mark the one-time residence of Chief Joseph Brant. The resolution was left over for consideration at to-morrow morning's session.

Mr. Cumberland thought that matters of this kind should reach the Ontario Historical Society, as a matter of principle, through the local society.

Mr. Pattullo supported the Secretary's suggestion that the motion should come before the Ontario Historical Society through the Monument Committee, as well as after emanating from the local society.

HAMILTON, June 7th.

The Monuments and Tablets Committee reported through Mrs. Thompson, recommending that the monument to Laura Secord be erected with the funds on hand, about five hundred dollars, instead of trying to get the one thousand dollars at first calculated on. The committee also recommended that the City of Hamilton be requested to erect the proposed tablet at the Hotel Brant, Mrs. Calder to have charge of the negotiations on behalf of the Ontario Society. The following motion was then moved by Mr. Cumberland, seconded by Mr. Pattullo,

"That the proposition respecting the Brant Memorial be referred to the Halton Historical Society, with the request that they make due enquiry and verify the historical accuracy of the statements, and ascertain the wording and design of the tablet proposed to be erected, and report the results to the Ontario Historical Society." Carried.

Moved by Miss Carnochan, seconded by the Secretary,

"That the reports of Mrs. Thompson, as convener of the Monuments and Tablets Committee, and Mrs. Fessenden, as convener of the Flag Committee, be sent to the daily papers of Toronto, with the request that they be printed."

Moved by Wm. Rennie, seconded by W. H. Doel, J.P.,

"That a committee be appointed to procure a monument to the memory of Governor Simcoe, and erect the same on a suitable site at the earliest convenience, with full power to complete all arrangements."

SIMCOE MONUMENT COMMITTEE.

John Ross Robertson, M.P., Chairman.
David Boyle, Secretary.
Frank Yeigh, Treasurer.
James L. Hughes, Public School Inspector.
D. B. Read, Q.C.
A. McLean Howard, President United Empire Loyalist Society.
Mrs. Forsyth Grant, President Women's Historical Society.
Miss M. A. FitzGibbon, Secretary Women's Historical Society.
Rev. C. E. Thomson, President York Pioneers Historical Society.
Rev. W. W. Colpitts, Secretary York Pioneers Historical Society.
Captain Jessop.
B. E. Walker.
With the mover and seconder. Carried.

Mr. Rennie presented the following statement:

Estimated cost of statue - - - - - -	$5,000 00
Estimated cost of pedestal - - - - -	1,000 00
Total - - - - - - - - - - -	$6,000 00
Funds available—Government grant - -	$3,000 00
Funds available—Toronto Council grant	1,000 00
Ontario Historical Society grant - - -	150 00
Total - - - - - - - - - - -	$4,150 00
Balance required - - - - -	1,850 00

He also suggested that an appeal be made through the Minister of Education to every school child in Ontario, for the contribution of one cent each, which might bring in about $2,000.

The Treasurer's report was read by C. C. James, Mr. Yeigh having returned to Toronto.

The Nominating Committee presented the following report of the names of the officers for the current year:

James H. Coyne, B.A., St. Thomas, President.
C. C. James, M.A., Toronto, 1st Vice-President.
Mrs. M. E. Rose Holden, Hamilton, 2nd Vice-President.
Frank Yeigh, Toronto, Treasurer.

Council.—G. R. Pattullo, A. F. Hunter, Miss FitzGibbon, J. J. Murphy, and Wm. Rennie.

Monuments and Tablets Committee.—Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Mrs. John Calder, Miss Kenny, B.A., W. H. Doel, J. J. Murphy, Miss M. A. FitzGibbon, Miss G. Rolph, Miss Carnochan, Chief Nelles Monture, Miss E. Y. Farmer, James Wilson.

Flag and Commemoration Committee.—Mrs. C. Fessenden, Miss FitzGibbon, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Holden, C. R. McCullough, Barlow Cumberland, Spencer Howell.

Archives and Publication Committee.—G. R. Pattullo, Judge Ermatinger, Wm. Houston, A. F. Hunter, J. H. Thompson, Miss Carnochan, Miss Sara A. Mickle, Mrs. Holden, and Chief Nelles Monture.

Moved by Mr. A. F. Hunter, seconded by Rev. Dr. Blackstock, and

Resolved, "That the Society, on this occasion of its first meeting after the withdrawal of the Hon. G. W. Ross, LL.D., from the position

of Minister of Education to become Premier of the Province, desires to place on record its appreciation of his services in the capacity of Honorary President, a position that on invitation he consented to fill, and that he occupied with satisfaction to the Society. We, therefore, desire to tender our cordial thanks for these services, he having taken part on different occasions in the exercises, and having otherwise aided and promoted the work of the Society, and that the Secretary transmit a copy of this to the Hon. G. W. Ross."

Reports from several affiliated societies were then presented.

Judge Robb, of Simcoe, read a paper written by Dr. James J. Wadsworth, Public School Inspector of Simcoe, on "The Winter Sojourn of Galinee and Dollier de Casson on Black Creek, Port Dover, in 1669-70." Miss FitzGibbon read an interesting paper written by Miss Lefroy, from recollections of Mary Warren Baldwin (afterwards Mrs. John Breckenridge), entitled "Glimpses of Lives of some Early Settlers." Mrs. Fessenden read a well-written paper on "A Morning with Historians in Boston." Miss Carnochan read portions of a paper on "Ancient Tombstones." Mr. J. G. Weldon, extended an invitation to the Ontario Historical Society to hold its next annual meeting in Lindsay.

A resolution was passed on motion of Messrs. A. B. McKenzie and A. F. Hunter, expressing the gratification of the Society that its secretary, Mr. David Boyle, had been invited to read a paper at the meeting of the British Association in Bradford, England, next September.

Moved by G. R. Pattullo, seconded by A. F. Hunter, and

Resolved, "That the Ontario Historical Society in closing their annual meeting of 1900, desire to gratefully acknowledge the kindness of the Mayor and City Council of Hamilton for having placed at the disposal of the Society, for holding our several sessions, the handsome Council Chamber of the city, the cordial welcome extended by the Mayor, by Mr. Fearman and the Wentworth Historical Society for their generous entertainment at Dundurn Park; Mrs. Calder and the Wentworth Women's Historical Society for the delightful excursion to the Stoney Creek Battle Park; to the city press, for its full reports of our proceedings; and to the citizens generally for the generous hospitality extended to this Society individually and collectively."

The meeting adjourned at 12.30 p.m., the choice of the next place for holding the annual meeting being left to the decision of the Council.

J. H. Coyne, *President.*
David Boyle, *Secretary.*

The Council met immediately after the adjournment of the general meeting, the President in the chair, when the following committees were appointed:

Finance.—The President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Publications and Resolutions.—Messrs. C. C. James, A. F. Hunter, and the Secretary.

Monuments.—Messrs. Wm. Rennie, A. F. Hunter, J. J. Murphy, Judge Robb and Mrs. Calder.

Museum.—Miss FitzGibbon, Miss Carnochan, Mrs. Rose Holden, and Mr. G. R. Pattullo.

Membership.—Mr. C. C. James, Mr. F. Yeigh, Rev. C. E. Thomson, the President and the Secretary. Meeting adjourned.

JAMES H. COYNE, *President.*
DAVID BOYLE, *Secretary.*

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

TORONTO, June 12th, 1900.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met here to-day, Mr. James L. Hughes, occupied the chair.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Hebert, Paris, offering to do the work.

It was resolved that Messrs. Robertson, Rennie, Doel, and Colpitts be appointed a committee to bring the present fund of $4,150, up to $5,000.

A committee, consisting of Captain Jessop, Miss FitzGibbon, Rev. C. E. Thomson, W. H. Doel, and Wm. Rennie, was appointed to confer with the provincial and city authorities respecting a site for the Simcoe statue.

TORONTO, June 16th, 1900.

The Council met here to-day, Mr. C. C. James in the chair. New members elected were as follows:

Messrs. Dilworth M. Silver, Buffalo; George Wilkie, Toronto; M. O. Scott, Ottawa; Howard L. Osgood, Rochester, N.Y.; J. J. Wadsworth, Simcoe; Alexander Pattullo Westervelt, Toronto, Rev. Nathaniel Burwash, D.D., Newton Wright Rowell, Toronto; W. H. Murch, St. Thomas, and Wm. McLennan, Montreal.

On motion, the Norfolk Historical Society's application for affiliation with the Ontario Historical Society, in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 108, 62 V.

The Editorial Committee of last year was re-appointed, viz.: the President, 1st Vice-President, Secretary, and Mr. A. F. Hunter.

It was resolved to place the Laura Secord Monument Fund in the Bank of Commerce, Spadina Avenue, to the credit of the Treasurer, and Mrs. Thompson receive the thanks of the Council for her services.

It was resolved that the Council consider the propriety of requiring an annual payment of one dollar from members of the Ontario Historical Society.

The Editorial Committee was instructed to go on at once with Volume III.

TORONTO, June 26th, 1900.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met here to-day, Mr. James L. Hughes in the chair.

The Sub-Committee having had an interview with the Premier of Ontario, stated that a suitable site may be had near the Parliament Buildings.

The Mayor and Board of Control also granted the privilege of erecting the statue to Governor Simcoe in front of the new City Hall.

TORONTO, October 10th, 1900.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met here to-day, J. Ross Robertson, M.P., in the chair, who expressed his desire not to act any longer as chairman of this committee.

It was resolved that the Secretary request all Canadian sculptors to tender for the erection of a bronze statue of Governor Simcoe.

INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION GROUNDS.

TORONTO, August 30th, 1900.

A meeting of the Ontario Historical Society was held here to-day, the President, Mr. James H. Coyne in the chair, and Mr. C. C. James acting as Secretary.

Among those present were Messrs. D. B. Read, Rev. Dr. Blackstock, Wm. Rennie, A. Willson, W. H. Doel, Rev. M. Hunt, S. Parker, Wm. McLean, Captain Jessop, from the York Pioneers.

From Niagara, Miss Carnochan.

" Halton, Dr. Robertson and J. Warren.
" Wentworth, Mrs. C. Fessenden.
" Elgin, J. H. Coyne.
" Thorold, Rev. P. L. Spencer.
" Peel, E. Morphy and Eli Crawford.

Miss Ellerby, Miss Baird, Mrs. (Dr.) G. E. Kennedy, Mrs. Wyatt, Thos. Conant, Dr. G. E. Kennedy, Miss Georgianna Rolph, Dr. Hamilton, F. Yeigh, and T. Southworth were also present, besides others.

Mr. Conant, of Oshawa, gave a short address on the circumstances connected with the taking of York in 1813.

The President gave an account of the visit paid by members of the Norfolk and Elgin Historical Societies, to investigate the site of Galinee's wintering-place, near Port Dover, in 1669-70.

Mr. R. H. Browne, Archivist of the Ontario Crown Lands Department, read part of an elaborate paper on "The History of Land Tenure in Canada," his study having been particularly directed to Upper and Lower Canada, based upon his researches among the archives of the Crown Lands Department of the Province.

It was resolved that Mr. Browne's paper be printed in full.

Miss Carnochan gave a short account of her investigations among the old burial plots of the Niagara Peninsula.

Mr. James mentioned some interesting particulars respecting what are known as the Jesuit Pear Trees in Essex County.

Mrs. Fessenden read a letter from Mr. G. H. Hale, of Orillia, respecting the desirability of increased postal facilities between Great Britain and the Colonies, for the purpose of encouraging the circulation of British rather than of United States newspapers and magazine literature.

On motion, the consideration of this subject was referred to the Council.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, TORONTO, November 10th, 1900.

The Council met here to-day. Communication was received from Mr. Hale, of Orillia, advocating reduced postage on British magazines and newspapers, with a view to encouraging their circulation in preference to that of United States publications.

The Secretary was instructed by resolution to write to the Postmaster-General, expressing the desire of the Council in accordance with the terms of Mr. Hale's letter.

The distribution of the Society's publications to delegates of local societies was referred for consideration to the Membership Committee.

It was resolved to accept the offer of the Clipping Bureau, for supply of clippings on historical matters, at $15 per annum, for one year.

Arrangements were made for the preparation of an inscription for the Laura Secord Monument, and the Chairman of the Monument Committee was instructed to ascertain whether the money collected by the U. E. Loyalist Association would be available for the monument.

It was resolved to accept the invitation of the Mayor of Belleville to hold the next annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society in that city.

The President reported that he had received the resignation of the Secretary. Matter was referred to a committee for consideration.

On motion, it was resolved to refer the recommendation respecting annual fees of one dollar from each member of the Society, to the Council's Committee on Membership for full consideration and to report at a meeting in January.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, December 8th, 1900.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met here to-day, Mr. J. Ross Robertson in the chair.

The secretary was instructed to write to all the sculptors in Europe, whom Mr. Robertson had interviewed, and to all the Canadian sculptors, asking them to send sketch models of the proposed statue.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, TORONTO, January 11th, 1901.

The Council met here to-day, the President in the chair.

In addition to the Council, Mrs. J. H. Thompson and Mr. John Ross Robertson were present, in connection with the Secord and Simcoe monuments respectively.

The Secretary read a reply from the Postmaster-General, concerning postage on British magazines, and respecting place names in Ontario. He also read a letter from the U. E. Loyalist Association, containing resolutions of that body with respect to the Laura Secord monument.

The Postmaster-General pointed out the difficulty with the arrangement of postal rates, and the U. E. Loyalist Association expressed its intention not to hand the money over to the Society's funds for the Laura Secord monument.

The President read correspondence between G. D. Emerson and himself, respecting the placing of monuments to mark historic spots along the Niagara frontier and elsewhere, in conjunction with the plan for similar monuments on the United States side of the river.

A resolution was passed affiliating the Prince Edward County Historical Society, in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 108, 62 Vict. The Constitution and By-laws of the Prince Edward County Society were read and approved of.

The President introduced Mr. John Ross Robertson, who explained his reason for wishing to resign the chairmanship of the Simcoe Monument Committee. The Council regretted Mr. John Ross Robertson's decision,

thanking him very cordially for his services in connection with the monument when he was in Europe, and expressed a unanimous desire that he would withdraw his resignation.

A final draft of the inscription for the Laura Secord monument was decided upon by resolution.

On motion, it was resolved that the secretary write to Mr. Rathbun, of Deseronto, thanking him for his offer to provide steamboat accommodation for the purpose of enabling members of the Society to visit historic points along the Bay of Quinte during the time of the annual meeting.

It was resolved that the Council approve most cordially the efforts made by Dr. J. G. Hodgins, Historiographer and Librarian of the Education Department, towards providing schools with pictures of historic persons and places.

The continuation of this Society's correspondence with the Royal Society of Canada was referred to the Membership Committee.

A motion to ask the Postmaster-General for free postage of the Society's mail matter to any place in Canada was referred to the Finance Committee.

It was resolved to print two hundred extra copies of Miss Lefroy's paper, and two hundred copies of Mr. Osborne's paper, as these appear in the printed volume of "Papers and Records."

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, TORONTO, April 1st, 1901.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met here to-day. The Rev. C. E. Thomson was elected chairman in place of Mr. J. Ross Robertson, who resigned.

Arrangements were made respecting the payment of freight charges on the sketch models of the Simcoe statue.

The secretary stated that he expected all the models to be on hand during the present month.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, TORONTO, April 12th, 1901.

The Council met to-day. Mrs. J. H. Thompson and Mrs. C. Fessenden were also present. The former in connection with the Laura Secord monument, and the latter in connection with the Flag Committee.

The treasurer was instructed to advance to the Simcoe Monument Committee $50 on account of the subscription of the Society towards the monument.

The secretary was instructed to write for a complete set of the Royal Society's Transactions.

Judge Ardagh was requested to act as delegate of the Ontario Historical Society at the annual meeting of the Royal Society of Canada.

A resolution was passed reaffirming the protest of this Society respecting the proposed Montgomery memorial at Quebec, a copy of the protest to be sent to Dr. Borden.

A resolution of condolence was passed relating to the recent death of the Society's first treasurer, Mr. B. E. Charlton, of Hamilton, a copy of which was to be sent to his widow.

It was resolved that conveners of Standing Committees be made members of the Executive and entitled to vote at Council meetings.

It was also resolved that a fee of one dollar be hereafter imposed on all members of the Ontario Historical Society, payable on the first of June of each year, the first fee under this resolution being due on June 1st, 1901, and covering the Society's year from June 1st, 1901, to June 1st, 1902; that all who have joined the Society and paid their fee since January 1st, 1901, be considered as having paid until June 1st, 1902; that it is understood that all the present members shall be entitled to the Galinee volume when issued, and that a circular notice to this effect be sent forthwith to members.

A motion was carried respecting the desirability of the maple leaf being substituted for the Dominion Coat of Arms on the Canadian flag.

A sub-committee was appointed to consider the question of the secretaryship, and report at the annual meeting in June.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, TORONTO, May 10th, 1901.

Simcoe Monument Committee met to-day at 4 p.m. Present: Rev. C. E. Thomson, chairman; D. B. Read, K.C., A. McLean Howard, Miss M. A. FitzGibbon, Frank Yeigh, and the Secretary.

The meeting was called to make a selection for the Simcoe statue from the sketch models by W. Birnie Rhind, D. W. Stevenson, and W. Grant Stevenson, all of Edinburgh, Scotland; Albert Toft, of London, England; Philippe Hebert, of Paris; W. Allward, J. L. Banks, and Thomas Mowbray, of Toronto.

No decision was arrived at, and on motion of Miss FitzGibbon, seconded by D. B. Read, it was resolved that another meeting of the committee be held on Tuesday, the 14th inst., at 4 p.m., and that two representatives of the Provincial Government, and two representatives of the City Council be invited to assist in judging the models.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, TORONTO, May 14th, 1901.

The final meeting to decide on the selection of a model for the Simcoe statue was held here to-day at 4 p.m. by the Simcoe Monument Committee. Present, the Chairman, Rev. C. E. Thomson, Mrs. Forsyth

Grant, and Messrs. D. B. Read, B. E. Walker, Rev. W. W. Colpitts, W. H. Doel, Alderman McMurrich, Frank Yeigh, James L. Hughes and the Secretary.

The sketch models in plaster were from the studios of W. G. Stevenson, D. W. Stevenson and W. B. Rhind, Edinburgh; Albert Toft, London, England; J. L. Banks, W. Allward, and Thomas Mowbray, Toronto; and Philippe Hebert, Paris, France.

It having been decided to simplify the choice by eliminating the figures which in the opinion of the committee were least desirable, the number of models was reduced to three, and on a ballot being taken the vote stood eight to one in favor of the work of Mr. Walter Allward, Toronto.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Colpitts, seconded by W. H. Doel, the choice was made unanimous.

Mr. B. E. Walker, seconded by Alderman McMurrich, who represented the city Council by invitation of the committee, moved that the Toronto Guild of Civic Art be asked to supervise the execution of the statue, with instructions not to decide upon having the statue cast without obtaining the approval of the Premier and of the Ontario Historical Society's (that is, this) committee. Carried.

It was also resolved on motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Alderman McMurrich, that Mr. Allward be requested to prepare a sketch and supply an estimate of what he considers a suitable pedestal or base for his statue, and that the chairman, Mr. D. B. Read, and the Secretary be a committee to prepare a circular for public distribution, and stating what steps have already been taken to bring the project to its present condition.

The meeting then adjourned, subject to the call of the Secretary.

ANNUAL MEETING.

OFFICERS' QUARTERS, DRILL SHED,
BELLEVILLE, June 5th, 1901.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society was held here to-day, beginning at 2.30 p.m.

The President, Mr. James H. Coyne, occupied the chair, and there were present, Mrs. Ponton, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Miss Sara Mickle, Miss Janet Carnochan, Miss M. A. FitzGibbon, Mrs. E. R. Manning, Mrs. Pope, Mrs. M. E. Rose Holden, Colonel H. C. Rogers, A. F. Hunter, Judge Merrill, Judge Dean, Colonel Ponton, Thomas Conant, J. D. Collins, Dr. James Dunlop, R.N., Belfast, Ireland, E. H. D. Hall, C. C. James, J. S. Barker, Prof. Adam Shortt, Geo. R. Pattullo, Rev. Canon Bull, M.A., Arthur McGinnis, and the Secretary.

The meeting having been called to order, the Secretary read a portion of the minutes, when, on motion, an adjournment was made that the members of the Society might visit the Deaf and Dumb Institution, to which they were conveyed in carriages by the committee of the Belleville and Bay of Quinte Historical Society. Mr. Mathison, the Principal, welcomed the visitors, who were afterwards conducted through the various rooms and shown the excellent methods of instruction.

On returning to the city, business was resumed in the same room, when the reading of the minutes was concluded, and general business taken up after the holding of a Council meeting in an adjoining room.

The Secretary read the Treasurer's annual statement, which was approved and received.

Mrs. Ponton extended an invitation to the Society to spend the following day on the steamer *Armenia* during a cruise on the Bay of Quinte, the steamer having been placed at the disposal of the Society by the Messrs. Rathbun, of Deseronto.

The invitation was accepted by the President, on the part of all the members.

Mrs. J. H. Thompson read the third annual report of the Monuments and Tablets Committee which, on motion of Mr. Geo. R. Pattullo, seconded by the Rev. Canon Bull, was received.

Mrs. J. H. Thompson moved, seconded by the Rev. Canon Bull, "That section 4 of the Constitution be amended by inserting in the second line after the word *Treasurer*, the words, 'the chairmen of standing committees of the Society.'"

Mr. Pattullo moved, seconded by Miss Carnochan, that the motion be referred to the Committee on Resolutions, viz., the President, Secretary, Mr. James, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Conant, and Mrs. Ponton. Carried.

A communication was read from Miss Minnie L. Johnson, inviting the members of the Society to make use of the reading room in connection with Bridge Street Church, during their stay in the city.

The invitation was received with thanks.

In addition to the present officers, the following were appointed as a Nominating Committee: Miss S. Mickle, Miss Carnochan, Mr. Pattullo, Colonel Ponton, Colonel Rogers, Canon Bull, Thomas Conant, A. F. Hunter, and Judge Dean.

Moved by Mr. C. C. James, seconded by Mr. A. F. Hunter, that when the Society adjourns, it does so to meet again at the City Hall this evening at eight o'clock, and that when the Society adjourns this evening it adjourns to meet at the call of the President on the steamer *Armenia* to-morrow. Carried.

Meeting adjourned.

The evening meeting was held in the City Hall at 8 o'clock, the room being filled with an attentive audience. The President occupied the chair, and with him on the platform were Mayor Graham, the Rev. Canon Bull, and Prof. Adam Shortt, of Queen's University, Kingston.

In a few well chosen remarks the Mayor welcomed the Society to Belleville. The President replied, after which he proceeded to read his annual address.

Mr. Woolf gave a solo, which was encored.

Mrs. J. H. Thompson spoke briefly on behalf of the Laura Secord monument, to be unveiled on June 22nd.

Miss FitzGibbon gave a brief and interesting address on the proposed Queen Victoria memorial, which was well received.

Mr. J. N. Doyle sang an excellent solo.

Prof. Shortt was then called on to read his paper on the Establishment of Responsible Government in Canada, which he did to the satisfaction of nearly every one present, although he necessarily enunciated views not wholly in consonance with those of some of his hearers. The paper was a masterly as well as a scholarly one.

Unfortunately the hour was now too late for the paper of the veteran local historian, Mr. T. W. Casey, of Napanee, but printed copies of it were distributed among those present, the subject being First Missionaries and Earliest Quakers of the Bay of Quinte District.

The meeting closed at 11 p.m., with the singing of the National Anthem.

STEAMER "ARMENIA."

BAY OF QUINTE, June 6th, 1901.

A meeting was organized on board the steamer at 8.45 a.m., when the President called on the local societies' delegates to read their reports, with the following results:

Belleville and Bay of Quinte, by Mr. J. Frith Jeffers.

Prince Edward County, by Mr. John S. Barker.

Peterborough Town and County, by Col. H. C. Rogers.

Victoria County, by Judge Dean.

Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto, by Miss M. A. Fitz-Gibbon.

Niagara, by Miss Janet Carnochan.

Lundy's Lane, by Rev. Canon Bull.

Wentworth Women's Canadian Historical Society, by Mrs. M. E. Rose Holden.

Oxford County, by Mr. Geo. R. Pattullo.

Elgin Historical and Scientific Institute, by Mr. James H. Coyne, President.

The reports of the local societies not represented by delegates, and of this Society were, on motion, taken as if read.

Mrs. Holden moved, seconded by the Rev. Canon Bull,

That, whereas it has pleased God to remove from our midst a late honorary member, and the first President of this Society, the Rev. Henry Scadding, D.D., we, therefore, at this our first meeting after his death, desire to place on record our profound appreciation of his long literary and patriotic services.

We also desire to bear testimony to the active part he took in the organization of this Society in 1888, and in the successful organization of many other historic bodies and projects;

And that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to his family. Carried.

As the steamer was now close to Glen Island, where it was arranged to have luncheon, the meeting adjourned at 12.20, to meet again on the steamer.

On landing, the members and their friends, numbering about seventy, were served with an excellent meal provided for them by the Belleville and Bay of Quinte Historical Society. The Rev. Canon Bull said grace, and before separating from the room all joined in singing "God Save the King."

On returning to the steamer the meeting was resumed.

The Secretary presented a verbal report relative to the Simcoe monument, and on motion of Mrs. Holden, seconded by Mr. A. F. Hunter, the report was adopted, and the Simcoe Monument Committee re-appointed with the same powers as when first appointed.

The following are the names of the committee, with the exception of Mr. J. Ross Robertson, who withdrew:

The Society's Secretary, Frank Yeigh, B. E. Walker, Jas. L. Hughes, D. B. Read, A. McLean Howard, Mrs. Forsyth Grant, Miss M. A. Fitz-Gibbon, Rev. C. E. Thomson, Rev. W. W. Colpitts, Capt. Jessop, Wm. Rennie, senior, W. H. Doel.

Moved by Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Mr. Hunter,

That the Society recognizes with pleasure the movements inaugurated by affiliated societies for the erection of memorials and of movements commemorative of Her late Majesty, Queen Victoria, as well as of historic events, including the following statues and other works: The Talbot Settlement Memorial Monument; to be erected by Elgin Historical and Scientific Institute. The Queen Victoria Memorial Hall at Toronto, by the Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto, and the Queen Victoria Monument at Hamilton, by the Women's Wentworth Historical Society, and we desire heartily to commend them and other similar monuments to the generous support of the public. Carried.

On motion of G. R. Pattullo, seconded by Col. Rogers, it was resolved that the thanks of this Society be tendered to Mrs. Thompson, the energetic Chairman of the Monuments and Tablets Committee, and to her colleagues, for their valuable services in connection with the Laura Secord monument, and that the committee be re-appointed to carry the work on to completion, with instructions to do the best possible to raise the requisite funds.

The Nominating Committee presented the following as the names of those for election as officers for the ensuing year:

Jas. H. Coyne, President.

C. C. James, 1st Vice-President.

G. R. Pattullo, 2nd Vice-President.

Frank Yeigh, Treasurer.

Mr. Coyne expressed a strong desire to be relieved from the presidency, but on the urgent representations of Mr. C. C. James, Rev. Canon Bull, Mr. A. F. Hunter, Mr. Pattullo and the Secretary, he consented to accept the position for another year.

By unanimous vote the officers named were then declared elected.

For the Council, the following were the nominations, some names having been added to the committee's list: Mrs. M. E. Rose Holden, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Mr. A. McLean Howard, Mr. Barlow Cumberland and the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Mr. James, Messrs. J. J. Murphy and A. F. Hunter were elected auditors.

Mr. James moved, seconded by Mr. Pattullo,

That the members of the Ontario Historical Society hereby express to Mr. David Boyle, the Secretary of the Society, their sincere appreciation of the invaluable services rendered by him on behalf of the Society during the past three years. Carried.

Moved by Rev. Canon Bull, seconded by Mr. A. F. Hunter, that the Ontario Historical Society, in closing its annual meeting of 1901, desires to acknowledge gratefully the cordial invitation extended by the Mayor, and of the City Council for having placed at the disposal of the Society for holding its annual meeting, the handsome City Hall.

Second.—To thank the Belleville and Bay of Quinte Historical Society for the invitation to meet in the City of Belleville, and for their generous entertainment by excursion through the Bay of Quinte.

Third.—The officers of the 47th Regiment for the use of the officers' quarters in the armory for the purposes of the Society's sessions.

Fourth.—Mr. Robert Mathison and staff of the Ontario Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, for their entertainment of the Society and the interesting exercises by the pupils under their charge.

Fifth.—Mr. E. W. Rathbun for generously placing at the Society's disposal the steamer *Armenia*, enabling the Society to enjoy the very pleasant excursion on the historic waters of the Bay of Quinte.

Sixth.—The city press for its full reports of our proceedings, and

Seventh.—Mrs. Ponton, Mr. A. McGinnis, and the citizens generally, for the generous hospitality extended to the members of this Society, individually and collectively. Carried.

Judge Dean extended an invitation to the Society to hold its next annual meeting in the town of Lindsay, and Col. Rogers spoke in favor of the meeting being held in Peterborough.

On motion it was resolved to leave the choice of place to the Council.

This brought the annual meeting to a close, just a short time before the steamer reached Belleville. Before parting, the members and their friends gave three cheers for Mayor Graham and the City Council; for Mrs. Ponton and the Belleville Society; for Mr. Rathbun and the Captain of the *Armenia*, and closed by singing the National Anthem.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, June 29th, 1901.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met here to-day, Rev. C. E. Thomson in the chair.

The main purpose of the meeting being to place the position of the Committee before the Council, the following report was moved by Mr. B. E. Walker, seconded by Mr. David Boyle, as embodying the views of the Committee, and to be presented to the Council at its meeting to-day:

The Simcoe Monument Committee beg to report to the Ontario Historical Society as follows:

1. That nine models were submitted to the Committee, and that from these, the model submitted by Walter S. Allward was approved.

2. That your Committee have instructed Mr. Allward to proceed with the work under the supervision of the Ontario Historical Society, and the Toronto Guild of Civic Art.

3. That the sums voted by the Ontario Government and the City of Toronto amount to $4,000, and that as this sum is the price of the statue, there is no money in the control of your Committee to pay for the pedestal, or for other expenses.

4. That inasmuch as $1,500 must therefore be raised by private subscription, your Committee now ask for instructions as to how to proceed.

The motion to present this report was carried, and the meeting was adjourned.

June 29th, 1901.

The Council met to-day. The following sub-committees were appointed for the current year:

Finance Committee: The President, the Secretary and the Treasurer.

Publications and Resolutions Committee: C. C. James, Esq., M.A., the Secretary David Boyle, and Rev. C. E. Thomson, M.A.

Monument Committee: Rev. C. E. Thomson, Mr. J. H. Thompson, Miss Janet Carnochan, Mr. Fearman and Judge Robb.

Museum Committee: Geo. R. Pattullo, Mrs. M. E. Rose Holden, A. McLean Howard.

Membership Committee: Messrs. C. C. James, M.A., F. Yeigh, David Boyle, Toronto; Dr. Robertson, Milton; and Mr. J. H. Thompson, of Thorold.

It was decided by resolution to consider the Secretary's resignation and the appointment of a successor at a meeting of Council to be held in September or October, at the call of the President.

The President handed in an application for the position from Mr. A. F. Hunter, of Barrie.

It was decided to hold a general meeting in the Industrial Fair Grounds during the Fair week.

Mrs. Thompson presented a verbal report respecting the inscription on the Laura Secord monument.

The Secretary reported on the Simcoe monument, with special reference to payment that should be made to the sculptor, after which it was resolved:

1. That this Society and the Committee incur no liability to the Toronto Guild of Civic Art for supervision of the work.

2. That no sum be paid to Mr. Allward, the sculptor, at any time beyond the cash actually in hand, and to the credit of the Simcoe Monument Fund.

3. That no moneys be payable until the model is completed to the satisfaction of the Committee, when $1,000 will be payable, and that a further sum of $2,000 be paid when the bronze statue is completed to the satisfaction of the Committee, and delivered in Toronto, and that the remaining $1,000 be paid when the monument is unveiled.

4. That the Committee be instructed to have a written contract with Mr. Allward drawn up, subject to the above conditions and provisoes, and such other provisoes as they may deem expedient.

It was further resolved that the Treasurer of the Society apply to the Treasurer of the City of Toronto for payment of the amount voted by the City Council for the Simcoe monument, and that cheques on the fund be signed by the President and Treasurer of the Society as required, on the written order of the Chairman and Secretary of the Simcoe Monument Committee.

Also, that the expenses of returning the models received for the competition be paid out of moneys belonging to the Monument Fund.

Moved by the Secretary, seconded by Rev. C. E. Thomson,

"That the appeal of the Simcoe Monument Committee for subscriptions in aid of the fund, is heartily commended to local historical societies, our members, and the public generally." Carried.

The following new members were elected:

Mrs. Edna Caldwell, Belleville.

Col. H. C. Rogers, Peterboro'.

Ed. Harry Douglas Hall, Peterboro'.

Dr. Dunlop, Field Naturalists' Club, Belfast, Ireland.

Eslie Carter, B.A., Lucan.

The meeting then adjourned.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, July 18th, 1901.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met to-day, Rev. C. E. Thomson in the chair.

A meeting was called to complete arrangements with Mr. Allward, sculptor of the Simcoe monument, by having a legal form of contract between him and the committee properly signed and witnessed.

By resolution, terms were arranged for payment to Mr. Allward as the work proceeded.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, August 12th, 1901.

Simcoe Monument Committee met to-day, Rev. C. E. Thomson in the chair. Mr. A. M. Chadwick, who kindly consented to prepare a form of agreement, was present, with Mr. W. S. Allward, sculptor.

The terms having been read clause by clause, and in some cases modified, the Chairman and the Secretary were, on motion of Mr. A. McLean Howard, seconded by the Secretary, appointed to meet on the 12th at 3 o'clock, in the office of Mr. Chadwick, and there to sign the corrected form as representatives of the Ontario Historical Society.

INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION GROUNDS,

TORONTO, August 30th, 1901.

A general meeting of the Ontario Historical Society was held here to-day, beginning at 11.30 a.m., when C. C. James, Esq., M.A., Deputy Minister of Agriculture, 1st Vice-President, took the chair. Besides him there were present: Miss Carnochan, Mrs. Terrill, Mrs. C. E. Thomson, Miss Louise Teefy, Miss M. A. FitzGibbon, Miss Ellerby, and Messrs. Alfred Willson, J. J. Murphy, Geo. R. Pattullo, J. P. Hart, Col. Rogers, D. B. Read, K.C., Mr. Griffin, sen., the Rev. C. E. Thomson, Thos. Conant, Esq. (of Oshawa), and the Secretary; also Rev. Dr. Teefy and Mr. M. Teefy, sen. (of Richmond Hill).

After some introductory remarks by the Chairman, who explained that the President was now in Europe, he called on Mrs. J. H. Thompson to make a verbal report on the Laura Secord monument.

Mrs. Thompson reported that the monument had been unveiled by Mrs. G. W. Ross (wife of the Premier of Ontario), but that the inscription had been cut in a bungling manner; that the work of cutting would have to be done again, and that a small sum of money was still necessary to pay off all liabilities.

On motion of Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Col. Rogers, it was resolved

"That the thanks of the Ontario Historical Society be presented to Mrs. J. H. Thompson for the successful efforts she has put forth towards

organizing and completing the scheme for erecting a monument to the memory of Laura Secord."

Moved by Mr. Alfred Willson, seconded by Mr. J. P. Hart,

"That Mrs. Thompson be authorized to make a final appeal by circular to the affiliated societies for aid to complete the Secord monument."

The Rev. C. E. Thomson (President of the York Pioneers) and the Secretary made verbal reports respecting the Simcoe statue.

Mr. G. R. Pattullo, seconded by Mr. J. J. Murphy, moved

"That resolutions of condolence be prepared by the Council, respecting the deaths of the Hon. G. W. Allan, Dr. Jonathan Robinson, Mr. Alex. Kirkwood, and Mr. J. S. Barker."

The meeting then adjourned until 2.30 p.m.

After luncheon, the meeting was resumed at 2.30 p.m., Mr. G. R. Pattullo, 2nd Vice-President, in the chair.

Miss Carnochan read an extremely valuable and well-written paper on "Count de Puisay, a Lost Page in Canadian History."

Following her, Miss Louise Teefy, of Richmond Hill, read an interesting document she had prepared, entitled "Notes on Yonge Street."

Both papers were very highly commended by several members, and on motion of Mr. Thomas Conant, seconded by Mr. D. B. Read, votes of thanks were tendered to the ladies.

The Secretary informed the meeting that he had received a letter from Mr. John Ross Robertson, proprietor of the *Evening Telegram*, offering to publish both papers in the *Telegram*, and afterwards to make use of them in his projected "Landmarks of Canada."

It was thought that a decision on this should be left to the Council, and that meanwhile Mr. Robertson be thanked for his kind offer.

The meeting then adjourned.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, November 8th, 1901.

The Council met to-day, the President in the chair.

A committee, consisting of C. C. James, F. Yeigh, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, and the Secretary, was appointed to consider the propriety of holding a winter meeting.

On motion it was resolved "That the historical portion of the President's address delivered at Belleville, June 1901, be omitted from the annual report of the Society, and be transferred to the Editorial Committee, with instructions to print the same in the next miscellaneous collection of papers and records; that the annual report be printed forthwith, and that it contain a *resumé* of the transactions of the Society for the preceding two years.

It was arranged that letters of condolence to friends of recently deceased members be prepared as follows: To the relatives of the late Hon. G. W. Allan, by the Rev. C. E. Thomson; of the late J. S. Barker, by Mr. C. C. James; of the late Mr. Alex. Kirkwood, by Mr. President Coyne; and of the late Dr. J. Robinson, by the Secretary.

The President informed the meeting that his translation of the Galinee volume with the French text will be placed in the hands of the printer forthwith, the notes and the appendices to be afterwards issued separately.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, December 19th, 1901.

The Council met to-day, Mr. C. C. James in the chair.

On motion the Bruce County Historical Society, organized on the 16th of September, 1901, under the Presidency of Lieut.-Colonel A. E. Belcher, and having as Secretary Mr. Norman Robertson, was affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society.

Mr. Andrew Bell, of Almonte, was elected a member.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, December 19th, 1901.

Winter Meeting Committee met to-day, when it was resolved to hold a meeting during the Easter week, if arrangements can be made for holding one jointly with the Historical Section of the Ontario Educational Association.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

BELLEVILLE, June 5th, 1901.

This is the first meeting of the Ontario Historical Society, under its present or its original name, held east of Toronto. We are assembled in the pleasant capital of a flourishing district, far-famed for beauty of situation, and abounding in resources, agricultural, mineral, and industrial. The mention of the Bay of Quinte, moreover, calls up historic associations. Pioneer explorers, missionaries, and warriors of France sweep across the stage in their picturesque seventeenth and eighteenth century garb. We see unfolding the great drama of the old *régime,* with its rivalries and jealousies, its heroic devotion and its sordid meanness; its plot and counterplot. Governor and Intendant, soldier and trader, licensed wood-ranger and lawless *coureur de bois,* noble and priest, Jesuit and Recollet and Sulpician, play their part and quit the scene, and weirdly mingle with the dim figures of Champlain and Frontenac, of Trouve and Fenelon and Hennepin, of La Salle and Tonti and Joliet, of Montcalm and Vaudreuil and Pouchot, and savages in their uncouth war dance holding high the tomahawk and scalping knife. There are the fur-laden fleets of birch canoes gliding down the bay to Fort Frontenac, or furtively making the traverse to Oswego, if by happy chance they can escape the watchful eye of the French commandant and garrison. Ships of war are in the offing. Here at the mast-head flies the *fleur-de-lis,* yonder the red cross flag. The old enmity has been transplanted from across the sea, and the old fight is fought over again on your lake, whose shores re-echo strangely to the roar of artillery. Ships and forts surrender—the older flag is struck, and the Red Cross flag floats alone over the St. Lawrence valley.

Nearly a generation passes and now new actors appear on the scene. Heroic figures, struggling against adversity, beaten but unconquered, sacrificing all, daring all, the Loyalists enter the Bay.

> "They who loved the cause
> That had been lost, and kept their faith
> To England's crown, and scorned an alien name,
> Passed into exile, leaving all behind,
> Except their honor, and the conscious pride
> Of duty done to country and to king."

Instead of the mailed soldier with sword and pike, we see the settler with his axe hewing a home for himself out of the unbroken wilderness. The circuit-rider appears with half a continent for his parish. Parson

and priest, minister and elder, jostle each other, sometimes not without intention, each striving like the black robes of old to make the world purer and better. British law and language, institutions and religion spread over the land. The forests disappear, and with them the fur-trader and the canoe. A free, self-governing nation arises from the ashes of the old *régime*. From the heroic men and women of the Loyalist immigration the inhabitants of the Bay of Quinte district are sprung. It is a heritage to be proud of.

We meet in the pleasant month of June. The poet asks:

> "What so rare as a day in June?
> Then if ever come perfect days."

But even a rare June day is enhanced by special surroundings so agreeable, associations so interesting, and a hospitality so hearty as those which have drawn us hither from the ends of Ontario to-day. Momentous events have occurred since last we met. The lamented death of Her Majesty Queen Victoria followed quickly upon the close of a century, which will be forever associated with her name. Never was there mourning so universal, for no human being was ever so universally known and loved.

King Edward the Seventh has ascended the throne of his ancestors. In words emotional with sincerity, His Majesty has pledged himself to walk in the great Queen's footsteps as a constitutional sovereign. It is a remarkable evidence of the stability of English institutions that in this year of the King's accession is to be commemorated the thousandth anniversary of the death of his royal predecessor and ancestor, King Alfred the Great. Between them lies an almost unbroken line of sovereigns of Alfred's blood. I am sure that our historical societies will with one heart and voice wish the new king long life, health and prosperity, and a happy and glorious reign over a contented and united empire.

The inauguration, in this opening year of the century, of the Commonwealth of Australia under a constitution which shows a blending of those of the Dominion of Canada and the United States of America, is an event of transcendent importance in the history of the British empire.

The Society has progressed during the year. One new Society, the Tecumseh Historical Society of Kent, has been formed at Chatham, and affiliated with the central organization. It is the twentieth so affiliated. The regular membership has been steadily increasing. Besides the annual report, a third Volume of Papers and Records has been issued.

Interesting and valuable as are its contents, they are but samples of a vast mass of important historical material which remains at our disposal ready for the printer. The publication, simultaneously by this Society and by the publishers of the Jesuit Relations, of the supposed Marquette portrait, in the authenticity of which there appears to be good ground for believing, is an event worthy of special note, no portrait of the discoverer of the Mississippi having been known to exist, until the accidental finding of the one in question in the hands of a Montreal street arab, by Mr. D. G. McNab, of Toronto.

Contracts have been given out for the monuments to Laura Secord and Lieut.-Governor Simcoe. The former, it is hoped, will be unveiled at Lundy's Lane during the present month. The opening year of the century will thus be forever associated with these marks of honor rendered by posterity to the man who laid the foundations of British institutions in Upper Canada, and the woman whose heroism helped to save it to the Empire. The demonstration of the solidarity of the race afforded by the receptions tendered to the King's eldest son in his voyage round the world will still further emphasize the significance of the first year of the twentieth century.

Those who attended the Hamilton meeting a year ago will remember the interesting paper of Dr. Wadsworth, secretary of the Norfolk Historical Society, which was read by Judge Robb. His Society claimed to have discovered the precise location of the abode of the Sulpicians, Dollier de Casson and Galinée, with their seven French soldiers, during the winter of 1669-70. It lies a short distance from Port Dover, close to Black Creek, a little way easterly from its junction with the River Lynn or Paterson's Creek. The courtesy of the local society enabled your President to examine the site in question during the month of August. A rivulet beginning not far from the lake shore flows northward and inland through a ravine to join Black Creek. Close to the little stream, and about 100 yards from its mouth, there is, at the bottom of the ravine, a tiny plateau, upon which appears a clearly defined artificial elevation of earth, presenting the outline of two small rectangles meeting diagonally, with a trench, evidently intended as a protection against rain and melted snow descending the slopes. A depression in the low embankment on the side of the rivulet, and only a few feet therefrom, indicates the position of a door. The pleasant and sheltered situation, the rivulet, the area of the embankment, the distance from the lake shore, were compared with the details given in the Galinée narrative and map. The facts that the original forest filled the ravine from the earliest settlement until twenty or thirty years ago, and that the remains in

question were well known to the first pioneers, to whom the place was known as Frenchmen's Hollow, carrying the date of the structure back to a period long ante-dating the Long Point settlement. The remains correspond in all particulars with the description given by Galinée, and there is no record or tradition that suggests any other origin. The positive and negative evidence therefore agree in establishing the accuracy of the conclusion of the Norfolk Historical Society, as to the site of the first dwelling-place of white men on Lake Erie, at once a residence, a fort, a warehouse, and a chapel. It is interesting to know that the Norfolk Society proposes to erect on the site a monument with a suitable inscription. It was on the lake shore hard by, that formal possession was taken of the territory of Lake Erie, and the land surrounding it, in the name of King Louis XIV., in March, 1670, by the priest mentioned.

This Council has heartily co-operated in the movement to secure the Plains of Abraham to the nation. It is gratifying to be able to announce that Parliament has voted the required sum, so that the spot may remain forever sacred to the memories of Wolfe and Montcalm, and the brave men of two nations, who fought and fell with their commanders in the actions that decided the fate of North America.

In consequence of the movement to erect a monument to General Montgomery at Quebec, the Council renewed the protest forwarded to the Premier of Canada some years ago, when the proposition was first mooted. It is satisfactory to learn from the Premier's public statement, that no such monument will be erected on Government land, and that all that is proposed is a simple tablet to mark the place where Montgomery fell. It is greatly to be desired that there should be erected at Quebec a memorial to the brave French-Canadians who so heroically and successfully defended their city from the invaders on that last December day of 1775. If Canada is one of the brightest jewels in King Edward's crown, we should never forget that, not once or twice, it was saved to the Empire by the loyalty and bravery of our French-Canadian fellow-subjects.

The Society has suffered in its membership. Mr. B. E. Charlton, of Hamilton, our former treasurer, passed away in March, after a prolonged illness. An enthusiastic student of Canadian history, he was always a prominent member of the Wentworth Historical Society. He contributed to local societies interesting papers on the early history and archæology of the Burlington Bay region. A good man and true, he will be long missed by many friends, not only at Hamilton, but throughout Ontario, who esteemed and loved him for his many noble qualities of head and heart.

Four weeks ago, full of years and honors, the author of "Toronto of Old" passed away tranquilly and painlessly. Dr. Scadding was the first President of the York Pioneers, and afterward the first President of the Pioneer and Historical Association of the Province of Ontario. Retiring from the active charge of the latter Society, he was elected its Honorary President, an office he retained until the organization was changed, to be known thereafter as "The Ontario Historical Society. Under its new constitution the Minister of Education is *ex-officio* Honorary President. By a unanimous vote of the Council, and as one of its first acts, the Reverend Henry Scadding was elected our first honorary member. Until increasing infirmities prevented him, he was a regular attendant at the Society's meetings. In any public gathering he was always a striking figure. His venerable and scholarly appearance was accompanied by a courtesy and gentleness of manner which assured him the affectionate esteem and reverence of all who beheld him. It may be truly said of him that he had "that which should accompany old age, as honor, love, obedience, troops of friends." One of the first King's scholars at the old Royal Grammar School at York, the first head boy of Upper Canada College, and afterwards its classical master, he was the living link that connected the present generation with names prominent in Canadian public life in the early part of the last century.

Through his papers on the early history of Toronto, afterwards combined into valuable books, he was the first to enlist the interest of Upper Canadians in Canadian history. Among other reproductions of important documents, he reprinted the journal of Governor Simcoe's tour of observation to Detroit, and Smyth's "Gazetteer of Upper Canada," thus rendering additional valuable service to the community. As far as Ontario is concerned, he may well be called the father of Canadian history. It is strange to know that, although 105 years have elapsed since Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Simcoe left Upper Canada forever, our late honorary member not only was educated at St. John's College, Cambridge, by her kindly generosity, but spent some of his vacations as her guest at Walford in Devon, and continued to pay her occasional visits until her death, less than half a century ago. A pioneer and the historian of the pioneers, Henry Scadding's name is worthy of special remembrance and regard.

It is with great regret that I announce the resignation of our valued Secretary, Mr. David Boyle. His duties as provincial archæologist have a first claim upon his time, and he has found it impossible, with satisfaction to himself, to perform the work of both offices. The secretaryship of this Society is by no means a sinecure. Together with the

increasing membership and the establishment of new local societies in affiliation with our own, the exchange list to be watched and enlarged, the Society's publications to be supervised, and its library and museum to be arranged, there is a large and constantly widening correspondence to be conducted. The Society has urgent need of an increased income to enable us to secure the full services of a secretary. We could then secure a constant and systematic canvass of the Province for the formation of local societies in the counties at present unprovided with them, and the collection, cataloguing, preservation and printing of historical material in danger of loss or destruction. In the meantime the people of Ontario owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Boyle for his laborious and valuable service during the last three years—a labor of love, inasmuch as the Society's scanty resources were inadequate to pay him more than a mere nominal remuneration.

In this connection it is proper to note that the Society must continue to urge upon the provincial authorities the necessity, in the public interest, of greatly increasing the annual grant, to enable it to do its work in a more satisfactory manner.

There is undoubtedly a wider appreciation of its operations by the public. Numerous members of the Local Legislature on both sides of the House have cordially co-operated with us in our attempt to secure a larger grant. The press devotes increasing attention to the earlier history of the Province. With increasing appreciation of our efforts by the people will, in the course of time, come a fuller recognition by the Legislature. To that end all our members should use their influence in promoting a strong public opinion throughout the Province. In the meantime we have only to work on, and hope ever.

NOTE.—The remainder of the address was taken up with an account of "The Bay of Quinte in History and Cartography." This will appear as a separate paper in the next number of the Society's Papers and Records.

REPORT OF MONUMENTS AND TABLETS COMMITTEE.

The unveiling of the monument to Laura Secord will take place on June 22nd, at Niagara Falls South. In accordance with instructions received at the last annual meeting, I advertised in the *Mail and Empire* and *Globe* of July 4th and 7th, for designs for a monument, to cost $500. Nine designs were submitted, and after careful study of the various sketches the Committee selected the one submitted by Miss Mildred Peel, a life-size bronze bust on a granite pedestal. This bust Miss Peel completed in clay some months ago, and it is now on its way from the foundry.

Laura Secord is represented as about thirty-eight years of age, which was her age at the time she performed her heroic deed. While we have no portrait of Laura Secord taken at this time, yet with the aid of a later portrait, and pictures of several members of the family, and particularly with the assistance of a granddaughter of one of Laura Secord's sisters, who bears a striking likeness to the Ingersolls, and especially to Laura Secord, Miss Peel has been able to give us a beautiful conception of the brave and noble woman who did so much for King and Country in 1813. I have completed arrangements for the removal of the headstones now over the graves of James and Laura Secord to the church at Chippawa, and have to thank the rector and churchwardens for their kindness in their appproval of the scheme. Mr. Ernest Peters, of Chippawa, who now owns and lives in the house in which Mrs. Secord died, and where she lived for over fifty years, has given us permission to put a tablet on the house. Tablets, I hope, will also be placed on the houses in Queenston and at De Cew's. The inscription on the monument has received the careful attention of both the Monuments Committee and the Council of the Society.

Mrs. Ross, the wife of the Hon. G. W. Ross, has kindly consented to unveil the monument, and Mr. Ross will deliver an address. The 44th and 37th Regiments are to take part in the ceremonies, as well as the school children of the Niagara District. At this meeting it will be one of the duties of our Society to complete the arrangements for the unveiling. It is a pleasure to refer to the great interest which is being taken in historical matters, and we can congratulate the Niagara Historical Society upon the erection of seven tablets to mark places of interest at Niagara-on-the-Lake. The Canadian Club is still doing similar good work for Toronto. The Simcoe Monument Committee have selected a design for that long-talked-of statue, and we hope soon to see it completed.

It is worthy of note that the Laura Secord monument will be the first public memorial to a woman erected in Ontario, and will be the work of a Canadian woman. The design selected for the Simcoe monument is also the work of a Canadian, Mr. Walter S. Allward, of Toronto.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT ON LAURA SECORD MONUMENT.

Through the kindness of the Executive of the Ontario Historical Society I have been permitted to make a final report of the unveiling of the monument to Laura Secord, which took place as arranged on Saturday, June 22nd, at Niagara Falls South. An address of welcome was given by the Rev. Canon G. A. Bull, President of Lundy's Lane Historical Society, followed by an able paper by Mr. J. H. Coyne, President Ontario Historical Society, on "The Many Efforts Made to Erect a Monument to the Heroine of 1813." The Rev. George Bryce, M.A., LL.D., President Manitoba Historical Society, spoke on the debt we owed to the memory of those early settlers, particularly the women who had been the home-makers. Mrs. Ross then unveiled the monument, with a short address. Mrs. Fessenden, on behalf of the Daughters of the Empire, presented a wreath of flowers from the garden of the house in which Mrs. Secord lived in Chippawa. Miss Carnochan read a sonnet (see below) composed for the occasion, and short addresses were then given by the Hon. J. G. Currie, of St. Catharines, Mr. F. W. Fearman, President Wentworth Historical Society, Mr. J. H. Thompson, of the Thorold and Beaver Dams Historical Society, Mr. E. Morris, Warden of Welland County, Mayor Slater and Canon Mackenzie. The Hon. Peter A. Porter, of Buffalo, gave a spirited address, and was pleased to acknowledge heroism wherever found.

The following grandchildren of Mrs. Laura Secord were present at the unveiling of the monument, viz.: Mrs. C. W. Young, Cornwall; Miss Mary Carthew, Toronto; Miss Augusta Smith, Guelph; Miss Laura Clarke, Toronto; and Messrs. W. and E. K. Carthew, Waterloo. Letters were read from Mrs. Cockburn, of Winnipeg, and Mr. Morden Carthew, of Listowel.

LAURA SECORD.

Read at the unveiling of the monument, June 22nd, 1901.

Too late, too late the bards have struck the lyre
  To her, within whose breast the patriot flame
  Beat high that morn in June—a noble dame.
Long leagues her devious way she wound through mire,
And lonely woods, to warn of dangers dire,
  And gained, although unsought, enduring fame;
  Who knows not Laura Secord's honored name?
To save her country was her heart's desire.
  A woman, wife, and mother, tender, true,
We meet to place above her dust to-day
  This wreath of laurel, ever to abide
Through all this century's lingering years, long due,
We consecrate with happy tears, nay, nay,
  We consecrate, we consecrate with pride.

JANET CARNOCHAN.

UNVEILING OF THE LAURA SECORD MONUMENT, JUNE 22ND, 1901, AT LUNDY'S LANE.

ADDRESS DELIVERED BY PRESIDENT JAMES H. COYNE.

Eighty-eight years ago, Monday next, was fought the battle of the Beechwoods or Beaver Dams. It was eighty-eight years ago this evening, according to her own statement, that Laura Secord became possessed of information as to the plans of the general in command of the United States forces at Niagara. These plans affected the safety of FitzGibbon's small outpost at De Cew's Falls, and to a considerable extent, as the event proved, the conduct of the campaign of 1813. What was her duty as a patriotic Canadian, the wife and daughter of Loyalist refugees? Her action was prompt, loyal, courageous and effective. It has made her famous forever among women. It is that which has brought us here to-day.

Mrs. Secord survived the war by more than half a century, living to the great age of 93. Her mortal remains were placed in this cemetery thirty-three years ago beside those of her husband. After some years a plain stone was placed at the head of her grave. But it was thought by many that something more attractive and appropriate should take its place. The limits of the grave plot do not permit of a large monument. The dead are crowded in this little enclosure of Lundy's Lane cemetery. There was no room here for more than a simple bust and pedestal, such as we are now to unveil.

Let me congratulate all those who have taken an active part in promoting the project for the erection of the monument upon the success that to-day crowns their efforts. The Lundy's Lane Historical Society and its venerable president, the Reverend Canon Bull, are especially to be felicitated that at last, to borrow the language of Colonel Cruikshank, one of its most distinguished members, "her final resting place is marked by a fitting memorial of one of the bravest and most loyal of Canadian women."

Others will speak of her famous achievement. It is my task to speak of the men and women who have taken a prominent part in initiating and forwarding the movement for the erection of this monument. To-day the end crowns their work.

In the year 1887, at the Stamford High School, Mr. M. M. Fenwick, M.A., collected the first money for a monument to be erected over the grave of Laura Secord. On the 26th of July a letter from him appeared

in the Toronto *World*, asking subscriptions. The letter was read by the late Mrs. S. A. Curzon, whose interest was thereby aroused in the heroine and the project. With her facile and versatile pen she proceeded to make known in verse and prose the claims of Mrs. Secord upon the gratitude of the Canadian people. In that year she published her drama entitled "Laura Secord."

In February, 1889, Ernest Cruikshank delivered a lecture on "The Fight in the Beechwoods" before the Lundy's Lane Society, in which he described the famous journey from Queenston to De Cew's, and expressed the hope that a suitable memorial might be erected. The lecture was published by the Society, and the pamphlet mentions among the Society's officers James McGlashan, Esq., as Treasurer of the Memorial Fund.

In 1891 Mrs. Curzon published in prose, under the auspices of the same Society, "The Story of Laura Secord, a Heroine of 1813." Referring to the proposed memorial she stated, "We are ready to open a subscription list on the part of the men and women of Ontario." It was proposed to ask the Government to aid, but this was not pressed.

In 1894 Miss Mary A. FitzGibbon published a biography of her grandfather, Colonel FitzGibbon, under the title, "A Veteran of 1812," and described Mrs. Secord's connection with the battle of Beaver Dams.

In 1895 a second and enlarged edition of Colonel Cruikshank's pamphlet was issued. Circulars were sent out containing appeals on behalf of the fund.

In 1897 Mrs. Munro read before the same Society a paper giving her remembrance of the story as told to her by Mrs. Secord.

In 1898 second editions of Miss FitzGibbon's book and also of Mrs. Curzon's pamphlet appeared. In the latter the announcement was made that donations to the Laura Secord Monument Fund would be gladly received by any of the Society's officers. Hitherto the movement had been a sporadic one, various small sums having been collected in various quarters, but chiefly by the Lundy's Lane Society.

In September, 1898, the project is mentioned in the minutes of the Ontario Historical Society, the secretary being requested by resolution to communicate with local societies and individuals with reference to moneys collected for the purpose, and to request that these should be placed in the Society's hands. A resolution was also carried for the appointment of a committee to take charge of the matter. At the winter session in February, 1899, a Monuments and Tablets Committee was appointed, consisting of Mrs. J. H. Thompson, of Toronto, Convener, Mrs. John Calder, Mrs. Kenny, W. H. Doel, J. Ojijatekha Brant-Sero,

and Miss M. A. FitzGibbon. This committee at once issued an appeal for subscriptions of not less than ten cents per member to the fund for a monument over "the resting place of the neroine of Upper Canada." They also gathered in the sums collected by other societies and individuals, except about $300. This standing committee, under its efficient and active chairman, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, has had charge of the business from that time, and to its members is due the credit for the success which has attended the more organized movement. The $300 mentioned is held by another association for the purpose of a more costly monument which it is proposed to erect at Beaver Dams or Queenston. Our fund was collected solely for a monument over the grave.

At the Society's annual meeting in June, 1900, at Hamilton, the committee reported the amount of funds collected, and recommended that the erection of the monument should be proceeded with at once, and the Society resolved to proceed accordingly.

The committee advertised for designs on the 2nd July, 1900. On the 23rd July the design submitted by Miss Mildred Peel, a sister of the famous painter, the late Paul Peel, was accepted, being a bronze bust, life size, on a square granite pedestal, the whole to be eight feet in height.

The sculptress in depicting the heroine was aided by photographs of Laura Secord, taken when somewhat advanced in years, and of relatives, who were considered to resemble her, as well as by the information, advice and criticism of relatives and other persons interested. The result is considered not merely a satisfactory likeness of Mrs. Secord, as she must have appeared in 1813, but an artistic work of great merit, placing Miss Mildred Peel among Canada's foremost sculptors. The casting of the bronze figure was successfully carried out in Philadelphia.

In 1900 appeared Mrs. Emma A. Currie's "Story of Laura Secord." It is the latest printed work upon the subject. The *Review of Historical Publications Relating to Canada* has an interesting article by Colonel Cruikshank upon her version of the story, in which he gives a bibliography of the original and secondary sources of the story.

The various literary productions mentioned have aided largely in keeping continuously before the reading public the object for which Mr. Fenwick began the collection of funds so far back as in the year 1887.*

* The moneys have been collected in small sums, the largest subscriptions being $50 from the 49th Regiment (Royal Berkshires), and equal sums from this Society and the County of Welland. The rest has been given by other historical societies and local

So now we meet for the purpose of unveiling the memorial. The Premier of Ontario, the Hon. Dr. Ross, our first Honorary President, who desired to be present, has found himself unable to attend. We are fortunate, however, in having with us Mrs. Ross, who has graciously acceded to the request of the committee to unveil the monument. Our Honorary President, the Hon. Mr. Harcourt, Minister of Education, is absent on a political campaign, like his chief. We have on the platform several descendants and other relatives of Mrs. Secord. The militia men who took part in the fight are represented by a number of volunteers from the Welland regiment. We would have been glad to have the regiment. It was to be desired that the Six Nation companies of the Haldimand men should be here to recall to our memory the Indian participants in the battle. Under Captains Ducharme and William Johnson Kerr, and their lieutenants, one of whom was John Brant, valiant service was rendered in the conflict to the flag that has always been faithful to the Iroquois, its ever loyal defenders. Regulars and militiamen, U. E. Loyalists and natives of the old land, French-Canadians and men of the Six Nations, all shared in the dangers and the glory of the battle of the Beechwoods. Among those who have written the story of Laura Secord there are on the platform or near it Mrs. Munro, Mrs. Currie and Rev. Dr. Bryce, of Winnipeg. Mrs. Curzon, alas! is no longer among the living. She would have rejoiced to be with us. Her daughter is here to share in our satisfaction over the final result of Mrs. Curzon's patriotic effort. As Mr. Fenwick, who initiated the movement in 1887, collected the first, so Mrs. Thompson, who is here, collected the last contributions to the fund. Sometimes monuments have been erected in honor of the living. To those who know its history, this memorial will in the future commemorate not only the dead heroine of 1813, but also the late Mrs. Curzon; and not these alone, but also Mr. Fenwick, Mrs. Thompson, and our venerable friend, Canon Bull, as well as the others who have lent their services to the project. The artist, Miss Mildred Peel, has come to see the effect of her work when transported from her studio to its new environment. In mentioning her it is but justice to state that, actuated by a feeling of patriotism, Miss Peel has given the Society and the committee at least double the value of the compensation she is to receive. I would not be speaking extravagantly if I said that through her generous enthusiasm

municipalities, volunteer regiments, schools, and in individual subscriptions of small amounts, the object being to collect the required sum in small sums, to make the movement a popular one. It would probably have been easier for the committee to raise a much larger amount by appealing for larger sums to fewer people.

she has in this way almost doubled the entire amount of the subscriptions received. In other words, her contribution is equivalent to somewhat more than five hundred dollars. Her action is, it is needless to add, gratefully appreciated by the committee. Municipal authorities have shown their interest by their presence. Representatives of affiliated historical societies and the founder and first president of the Manitoba Historical Society are here to add their congratulations, and perhaps to profit by the example of the Lundy's Lane organization. It is to be regretted that we have not with us some representatives of our brother Canadians of French origin, who contributed to the defence of the country in the war of 1812. On the other hand, it is a cause of rejoicing that time has so largely healed the old sores that caused trouble between us and our neighbors across the river. We know and understand each other better; and while loyal each to his own form of government, we feel that after all blood is thicker than water, and we are "brothers still for a' that."

It is with special pleasure, therefore, that I announce the presence on this occasion of the grandson of General Peter B. Porter, who commanded the New York troops on this frontier in the war of 1812. We all welcome our brother member, the Hon. Peter A. Porter, whose appearance on this platform symbolizes the increasingly friendly feeling between the two countries and the obliteration of the old enmities engendered by the revolution era. He is here to do honor, like the rest of us, to the memory of the heroine of Upper Canada, the U. E. Loyalist, the brave and loyal Canadian woman, who lies buried on this battlefield of Lundy's Lane beside her equally brave and loyal husband underneath yonder granite, and whose effigy will preserve, it is hoped, to the most distant posterity, not only the features, but, through art's magic, the very genius and character of Laura Secord.

NOTE.—To complete the work of the Secord Monument Fund about $35 is required; $25 of this is required to put the old headstones up in the church at Chippawa, as we promised when we removed them from Lundy's Lane. We also have to put tablets on the house at Chippawa where Mrs. Secord lived for over forty years, and on the house at De Cew's Falls. A contribution of $1.15 to this fund has been received from one of the schools in Belleville, and other subscriptions will be welcomed from those societies or persons who have not already given.

E. J. THOMPSON, *Convener Monuments and Tablets Committee.*

LAURA SECORD MONUMENT FUND.

Contributions.

T. L. Buckton, Phœnix, B.C	$5 00
C. L. Biggar, Niagara Falls South	1 00
Mrs. Harcourt, Toronto	1 00
E. W. Lamprey, "	1 00
Norfolk Historical Society	1 20
Queen's Own Rifles	2 00
Niagara Falls South Council	10 00
Mrs. Ferguson, Niagara Falls South	1 00
Miss Green, " " "	1 00
Mrs. Butters, " " "	1 00
H. L. Murphy, " " "	1 00
A. C. Thorburn, " " "	0 50
George Steele, " " "	0 50
Rev. Canon Mackenzie, Chippawa	1 00
Miss B. Baird, Chippawa	0 50
Mrs. Kirkpatrick, "	1 00
J. F. Macklem, "	2 00
Village Council, "	10 00
Prince Edward County Hist. Society	5 00
W. C., Deer Park	1 00
Mrs. H. C. Newburn, Stamford	0 50
Dr. Newburn, Toronto	1 00
Rosa M. Morrison, London	0 50
John P. Secord, Orillia	3 00
Walter Alfred, Belleville	5 00
Public School Board, Cobourg	7 25
44th Welland Battalion	7 00
Alex. Gaviller, Hamilton	1 00
Miss Gaviller, "	1 00
Oxford Historical Society	5 00
Mrs. C. W. Young, Cornwall	1 00
Mrs. German, Welland	5 00
Col. A. T. Thompson, M.P	2 00
Mrs. Nevitt, Toronto	0 25
David Boyle (second contribution)	0 50
C. C. James " "	0 25
Mr. Mathison, Belleville	1 00
Mrs. Wills, "	1 00
Mrs. McCarthy, "	1 00
A Friend	$0 25
Judge Dean, Lindsay	1 00
H. H. Chandler, Belleville	0 25
Amy Chandler, "	0 25
Thomas Conant, Oshawa	0 10
Dr. James Dunlop, Belfast, Ireland	1 00
Dr. Farley, Belleville	1 00
Judge Merrill, Picton	0 25
R. J. Graham, Belleville	1 00
E. H. D. Hall, Peterboro'	1 00
Miss Proctor	0 10
Mrs. Manning, Niagara	0 25
Edna Caldwell	0 10
F. H. Yeomans, Belleville	0 25
Mrs. Keith	0 25
A. F. Hunter, Barrie	1 00
J. D. Aikins, Peterboro'	1 00
H. C. Hudson, Belleville	1 00
Mrs. Jas. Harriman, Niagara Falls S.	1 25
S. Macklem, Toronto	2 00
Miss C. Macklem, Toronto	2 00
Welland County Council	50 00
John Soule, Niagara Falls South	1 00
Dr. C. S. Stacey, Toronto	0 25
Dr. and Mrs. Bryce, Winnipeg	2 00
Janet L. Harriman, Niagara Falls S.	1 00
Mrs. Robertson, " " S.	1 00
A Friend, Winnipeg	1 00
Thorold Public School	2 50
Fessenden Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, Hamilton	5 00
Mrs. Robert Robinson, Niagara	1 00
J. H. Thompson, Thorold	1 00
W. V. Lepham, Niagara	1 00
D. McBride, County of Peel	1 00
W. F. Lewis, Toronto	1 00
Niagara Falls Town Council	25 00
C. A. Case, St. Catharines	1 00
Victoria School, Belleville	1 00

Summary.

Historical Societies	$173 90
Clubs and Societies	38 50
Municipal Councils	70 00
Regiments	53 00
Schools (one cent collections)	70 76
Collected by private individuals	336 53
	$742 69
Expended	741 63
	$1 06

Expenses.

Miss Peel, bust	$500 00	
" " pedestal	158 50	
		$658 50
Wm. Dalton, foundation		14 50
Unveiling luncheon, carriages, etc.		17 75
Postage		11 73
Travelling		23 55
Printing, stationery and advertising		24 10
		$750 13

January 10th, 1902.

The committee to arrange for a meeting in conjunction with the Educational Society of Ontario during the Easter holidays met in the office of Mr. C. C. James, Parliament Buildings, at 4.30 p.m. to-day. There were present Mrs. Thompson, Messrs. C. C. James, F. Yeigh and the Secretary. The President, Mr. Coyne, being also present, was asked to occupy the chair. The Secretary reported that the committee of the Educational Society had gladly accepted the proposition for a united meeting. It was then arranged that papers would be read by the President, Mr. James and Mr. Barlow Cumberland. It was also decided to recommend the Council to procure five hundred copies of the paper by Mr. James about to be published by the Amherstburg *Echo*.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, February 6th, 1902.

Council meeting here to-day at 4 p.m. Present: Messrs. C. C. James, Barlow Cumberland, Judge Ardagh, Mrs. Thompson and the Secretary. Mr. James, as 1st Vice-President, in the chair. Letters expressing regret at inability to attend were received from the President, Rev. Canon Bull, Miss Carnochan and Mrs. Holden. The Secretary was instructed to write to Judge Dean, of Lindsay, and Colonel Rogers, of Peterboro', to learn what arrangements might be made should the Society accept the invitations of Lindsay and Peterboro' to hold the annual meeting there. Mr. Coyne and Mr. Boyle were appointed a committee to make final arrangements with the printer concerning the publication of Galinée's Journal. The size of the page to correspond with the Society's regulation size.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, April 3rd, 1902.

The Council meeting here to-day at 4.30 p.m. Present: Messrs. J. H. Coyne, G. R. Pattullo, C. C. James, Rev. C. E. Thomson, Judge Ardagh, Thomas P. Hart, F. Yeigh, Mrs. Thompson and the Secretary. The Secretary announced that arrangements had been made to hold the annual meeting in Peterboro' and Lindsay should Council so decide.

On motion of Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Judge Ardagh, it was resolved to hold the annual meeting in both of these towns, the making of arrangements to be left in the hands of the Finance Committee and the local committees of the towns.

On motion of Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Mr. Hart, the Women's Historical Society of Bowmanville was affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society; and on motion of Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Mr. Hart,

the London and Middlesex Historical Society was affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society.

Mr. Pattullo moved, seconded by Judge Ardagh, that the Ontario Historical Society would be glad to co-operate with the Niagara Historical Society in such a way as may be thought expedient for the preservation of Navy Hall. Carried.

On motion, the Secretary and Treasurer were instructed to draft a letter of thanks to Mr. Donald G. Macnab for his gift of a copy in oil of the Marquette portrait.

On motion of Judge Ardagh, seconded by Mr. Yeigh, the following were elected honorary members of the Ontario Historical Society: Benjamin Sulte, Ottawa; James Bain, Toronto; Dr. Canniff, Port Carling, and Rev. Dr. Withrow, Toronto; and the following were elected corresponding members: Gabriel Gravier, Rouen, France; Judge Steere, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan; Rev. Dr. Bryce, Winnipeg, and Reuben G. Thwaites, Madison, Wisconsin.

Moved by Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Mr. Yeigh, that a proposal from the editor of the Brighton *Ensign*, that a series of articles appearing in that paper on Presqu'isle should be reprinted in the records of the Ontario Historical Society, be referred to the Editorial Committee. Carried.

A motion was passed thanking Mrs. Fessenden for her services in opposing the erection of a monument to General Montgomery in Quebec.

April 17th, 1902.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met at the temporary studio of Mr. Allward, sculptor, in the old Wycliffe College building to-day at 4.30 p.m., for the purpose of examining the Simcoe model in clay and to make any suggestions that seemed desirable for the guidance of the artist before the final preparations are made for casting the figure in bronze. Present: Rev. C. E. Thomson, M.A., D. B. Read, K.C., W. H. Doel and the Secretary.

The Secretary read a report he had received from the Committee of the Guild of Civic Art, consisting of Messrs. B. E. Walker, Frank Darling and E. Wyly Grier, on Mr. Allward's work. This committee was acting in accordance with a resolution of the Ontario Historical Society's Simcoe Monument Committee, inviting the co-operation of the Guild in the oversight of the model. The following is the report:

"As representatives of the Guild of Civic Art to whom was entrusted as a sub-committee the passing of judgment on the work of Mr. Allward in preparing a model for the statue of Governor Simcoe,

we beg to report that the artist has in our opinion performed his task remarkably well; that the figure is dignified and imposing, the head admirable in expression, and, from all we can gather, an accurate likeness of the man. We are of opinion that the work is of a character of which not only Toronto but the whole of Canada may feel proud, and that it will reflect great credit on the artist.

(Signed) "FRANK DARLING,
"E. WYLY GRIER."

Committee adjourned to meet again on Thursday, the 24th, at 4.30 p.m., to pass final judgment on the work, to arrange about a pedestal, and, should everything prove satisfactory, to make a payment to Mr. Allward in terms of the agreement.

OLD WYCLIFFE COLLEGE, TORONTO, April 24th, 1902.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met here to-day at 4.30 p.m. Present: Rev. C. E. Thomson, M.A., D. B. Read, K.C., W. H. Doel, B. E. Walker, Frank Yeigh and the Secretary.

A careful examination of the clay model having been made by the committee, it was moved by Mr. D. B. Read, seconded by Mr. W. H. Doel, that the Simcoe Monument Committee having carefully examined the clay model for the Governor Simcoe statue as prepared by Mr. W. S. Allward, have no hesitation in expressing themselves as being thoroughly satisfied with the artist's work—the pose being dignified and commanding, the head well set and conveying the idea of power and thoughtfulness, all the details being carefully brought out. In view of this conclusion we recommend the payment of the amount due to Mr. Allward in accordance with the agreement. Carried.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, May 12th, 1902.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met here at 4 p.m. At this meeting a resolution was brought forward by Mr. Read, seconded by the Secretary, having for its object the modification of the terms on which the Government appropriation was made, and by means of which it will be possible to advance Mr. Allward, the sculptor, a larger sum than was due to him in accordance with the original understanding. This the committee feel justified in doing on account of the excellent way in which the sculptor had performed his work, and because of the advanced stage in which it was in. This resolution was carried.

Mrs. E. J. Thompson and Mr. F. Barlow Cumberland were appointed to attend the meetings of the Royal Society of Canada, held in Toronto, May, 1902, as delegates from the Ontario Historical Society. Mr. Cumberland read the report of the Society.

ANNUAL MEETING AT PETERBORO' AND LINDSAY.

PETERBORO', June 4th, 1902.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society was opened here to-day in the rooms of the Peterboro' Historical Society's museum, President Mr. J. H. Coyne, B.A., in the chair. The meeting was well attended, not only by citizens of Peterboro', but by members and delegates from various parts of the Province. The societies represented were Niagara, Elgin, Simcoe, Wentworth, Belleville, Victoria, Prince Edward and Bay of Quinte, Bowmanville, and Women's of Toronto and Peterboro'. On motion it was decided that the reading of reports of affiliated societies be limited to five minutes each, and that no discussion be allowed until after the reports have been read. It was also decided to defer the reading of local societies' reports until the following day on board the steamer.

Moved by Mr. A. F. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Alfred Willson, that the Committee on Resolutions consist of the President, Mr. James, Col. Rogers, Judge Dean, Mrs. Fessenden and Mrs. Birdsall.

The meeting adjourned to permit of the members of the Society and their friends accepting an invitation from the Peterboro' Council to see the town, carriages having been provided for the party.

The evening session was held in the hall of the Young Men's Christian Association, beginning at 8.35, Mr. C. C. James, 1st Vice-President, in the chair.

Mrs. Fessenden was called upon by the chairman to read her paper on "The Monument that Failed." In this paper the writer gave a full, clear and extremely interesting account of all the efforts leading up to and connected with the project of erecting a monument to the memory of the traitor Montgomery, who was killed in an attempt to take Quebec.

The President having entered, occupied the chair. Col. H. C. Rogers then read an address of welcome to the officers and members of the Ontario Historical Society. President Coyne replied in fitting terms, referring to the hospitality of the citizens, the commercial importance of Peterboro', the standing of the local society, and the extent of the work accomplished by the parent society.

Judge Dean, of Lindsay, read a brief paper on local scenery and historical associations. He was followed by the Rev. Dr. Bryce, of Winnipeg, who in an inspiriting speech referred to the desirability of collecting local historical material. The meeting was well attended, and great interest was manifested in all proceedings. The National Anthem having been sung the meeting adjourned.

June 5th, 1902.

The members, delegates and visitors left Peterboro' by train for Lakefield at 9 a.m., on reaching which place they embarked on the steamer *Ogemah*, which had been generously placed at the disposal of the Ontario Historical Society for the day by the owners, Messrs. Boyd Bros., to convey those attending the meeting to Lindsay.

STEAMER *Ogemah*, STONY LAKE.

Council meeting at 9.45 a.m. to appoint representatives on the Nominating Committee, when it was moved by Mr. James, seconded by Mr. Stevens, of Lindsay, that the representatives be Miss Carnochan, Col. Rogers, Mr. G. R. Pattullo, Mr. F. Yeigh, Mr. Alfred Willson, Mrs. Thompson and the Secretary. Carried.

The Nominating Committee having been called together, Elgin was represented by Mr. and Mrs. Coyne, Simcoe by Mr. A. H. Hunter, Wentworth by Mrs. M. E. Rose-Holden, Belleville by Miss Cheander, Victoria by Judge Dean and Mr. I. E. Weldon, Oxford by Mr. G. R. Pattullo and Mr. T. H. Barker, Peterboro' by Colonel Rogers and Mr. T. A. S. Hay, Prince Edward County by Miss M. Merrill, Women's Society of Bowmanville by Miss Armour, Women's Society of Toronto by Mrs. Thompson and Miss Riddell, York Pioneers by Mr. Alfred Willson.

STEAMER *Ogemah*, STURGEON LAKE.

A general meeting was held at 1.50 p.m., after luncheon bountifully provided by the Peterboro' and Lindsay societies. President in the chair.

On motion of Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Weldon, it was resolved that reports of societies not represented be taken as if read.

Moved by Mr. James, seconded by Mr. Pattullo, that the decision as to the next place of meeting be left to the Council. Carried.

Mr. Yeigh, as Treasurer, read his report for the year, which on motion was received and adopted.

Mrs. Thompson moved, seconded by Mr. Alfred Willson, that the members of the Ontario Historical Society hereby place on record an expression of their pleasure at learning that the request for permission to erect a monument to the memory of one Richard Montgomery in Quebec has been withdrawn, and also to express to Mrs. Fessenden the thanks of the Society for her efforts in contributing to that end. Carried.

A very hearty resolution was passed conveying the thanks of the

Ontario Historical Society to the Peterboro' local organization, as well as to the municipality, for the generous and hospitable manner in which the members and delegates attending this annual meeting had been received.

The Nominating Committee then presented its report, recommending as officers of the Ontario Historical Society for the year, C. C. James, M.A., as President; George R. Pattullo as Vice-President; Frank Yeigh as Treasurer; Councillors: A. F. Hunter, M.A., Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Mr. I. E. Weldon, Col. E. B. Edwards, K.C., and Alfred Willson.

On motion of Col. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Boyle, the report of the Nominating Committee on officers was declared approved, and the officers therein named elected.

It was then moved by Mr. James, seconded by Mr. Pattullo, that this Society in session at its annual meeting on the beautiful Kawatha Lakes, hereby express to the retiring President, Mr. James H. Coyne, their sincere appreciation of the very valuable services rendered by him as president during the last five years. "We recognize Mr. Coyne as one of the originators of this Society, and the work that he has accomplished has been largely due to his generous, faithful and enthusiastic services. Mr. Coyne has served the Society well, and we earnestly desire that he continue in active association with us in the work of the Society. To him, in his public as well as in his private life, the Society earnestly wish the most abundant success." This motion was carried with great applause. Mr. Coyne responded in fitting and feeling terms.

During the afternoon those attending the meeting were transferred from the *Ogemah* to the *Esturion*, and on this steamer interesting papers were read after leaving Bobcaygeon by Miss Farmer on "A Scene in History; or, The Fall of Acadia," and by Mrs. Holden on the subject entitled "In the Heart of the Battle."

Council meeting was held at 5.30 p.m., immediately after the election of officers. Present: Messrs. Coyne, James, Willson, Pattullo, Edwards and Rogers, and Mrs. Thompson, Miss Carnochan and the Secretary.

Mr. James suggested that the Society should prepare another publication as soon as possible.

Miss Carnochan moved, seconded by Mr. Willson, that another volume of papers and records be made ready for the public as soon as possible after the appearance of the Galinée Journal. Carried.

A large number of new members were elected.

On motion of Mrs. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Weldon, the Secretary was instructed to supply the forthcoming volume of Galinée only to

those who are now members, but that Vol. V. be not supplied to any but current members. Carried.

The following committees were appointed:

Finance Committee.—President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Monument Committee.—Mrs. Thompson, Miss Carnochan, Mr. Willson and Col. Rogers.

Museum and Library Committee.—Mr. Yeigh, Col. Edwards and Mr. Weldon.

Flag and Commemoration Committee.—Mrs. C. Fessenden, Mrs. M. E. Rose-Holden, Miss M. A. FitzGibbon, Mrs. George E. Foster, Mr. F. Barlow Cumberland and Mr. Spencer Howell.

On motion of Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Col. Edwards, the Simcoe Monument Committee was re-appointed with former powers, Rev. C. E. Thomson being chairman.

LINDSAY, June 5th, 1902.

The steamer *Esturion* arrived with the Ontario Historical Society party at Lindsay about 5.45 p.m., all having enjoyed the sail through the chain of lakes and on the river between Peterboro' and this town. A public meeting was held in the Academy of Music at 8 p.m., the room being well filled. Addresses of welcome were delivered by Mr. W. H. Stevens and the Mayor of the town. Mr. Coyne gave a brief introductory address, after which Mr. Hampden Burnham, M.A., read an unusually thoughtful and original paper on "The Feud of the Huron-Iroquois," and Mr. Yeigh delivered his lecture on "Historical Landmarks of Ontario." Mr. James, the new President, occupied a short time in presenting to the audience some remarks on the development of municipal institutions in Ontario.

Before the meeting came to a close the following resolution was moved by Mr. Yeigh, seconded by Mr. Hunter: "That the members of the Ontario Historical Society express their most sincere thanks to the officers and members of the Peterboro' and Lindsay societies for the hearty reception, for the admirable arrangements made for the comfort and enjoyment of our members, and among the many who have contributed to the success of our meeting, to Messrs. Boyd Bros., of Bobcaygeon, as well as for the excellent arrangements whereby we have seen the Kawatha Lakes under such favorable and delightful conditions."

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, Toronto, August 13th.

A meeting of the Simcoe Monument Committee was held here to-day at 4 p.m. Present: Rev. C. E. Thomson, M.A., Chairman, Messrs. B. E. Walker, A. Maclean Howard, D. B. Read, W. H. Doel, F. Yeigh and the Secretary. Mr. Allward, sculptor, was also present. There was some discussion respecting the proposed pedestal, most of those present being in favor of a plain design.

On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Doel, Mr. Allward was requested to prepare sketches for a pedestal to be submitted to the committee, with an estimate of cost. The design selected by the committee to be thereafter modelled in plaster, and an actual tender for its erection to be submitted to the committee at a later meeting. Carried.

MR. COYNE'S ADDRESS

ON RETIRING FROM THE PRESIDENCY.

It is five years since the Society, then known as "The Pioneer and Historical Association of the Province of Ontario," paid me the high honor of electing me president. It is four years since the present name, "The Ontario Historical Society," was adopted, and three years since the passage of the Act of incorporation.

Before laying aside the duties of office it may not be out of place to give a brief *résumé* of the operations of the Society since June, 1897.

By our constitution our annual meeting is intended to be peripatetic. In 1897 the old Association met in the old court house of historic Niagara. Delegates from the Council of the Six Nations were formally received as members, and the evening was devoted to a special meeting of the Iroquois Council held in due form, at which business relating to the Six Nations was regularly transacted.

The meeting of 1898 was held, by special invitation of the Superintendent and Council, in the Council House of the Six Nations at Ohsweken, on the Grand River Reserve. The members were the guests of the chiefs and warriors, and the gathering was one of exceptional interest.

In 1899 the annual meeting took place during the very successful and memorable Historical Exhibition held at Victoria College, Toronto, under the Society's auspices.

In June, 1900, we met successively in the City Hall, Hamilton, at Dundurn Castle, and at the old Gage House, Stoney Creek, on the anniversary of the battle fought around the last mentioned spot.

Last year our annual gathering was held at the City Hall, Belleville, and on the steamer *Armenia*, kindly placed at our disposal by Mr. E. W. Rathbun. Several points of interest on the Bay of Quinté were visited.

During the last five years special meetings were held on the Industrial Fair grounds at Toronto in connection with each annual Exposition. Additional sessions have been held at the Educational Department, Toronto—a winter session in February, 1899, and (in connection with the Historical Section of the Education Department) an Easter session in April, 1902.

At each of the meetings, besides the transaction of necessary routine

business, the programme included valuable and interesting papers on historical subjects, and many matters connected with the Society's objects were considered. Effective representations were made to the Government of the Dominion for the preservation of historic sites from apprehended spoliation or sacrilege, and for the distribution among our members of departmental publications of historical value.*

And now we are met on the banks of the Otonabee, in the capital of the old Colborne District, the pleasant town of Peterboro'. The competition of hospitality between this municipality and Lindsay was so kindly and so keen that it was found difficult if not impossible to decide between them. A happy solution of the problem was found in a resort to the judgment of Solomon. The subject of dispute was divided in two, each litigant received her equal moiety, and all parties appeared to be pleased. Nature, uniting the two county towns by a river and lake system of marvellous beauty and picturesqueness, aided in the decision; and thanks to the friendly rivalry, the members present will have an opportunity of enjoying a voyage on the crystal waters of Stony, Lovesick, Buckhorn, Pigeon and Sturgeon lakes, as well as up the Otonabee and Scugog rivers. The cool air blowing over these northern waters will, it is hoped, have a tranquilizing influence upon brows overheated in the exciting atmosphere of the last few weeks. Even elections and recounts may be forgotten amidst the charms of Stony Lake and the picturesque beauties of Bobcaygeon.

I may be pardoned for referring to the fact that the Peterboro' region has been peculiarly fortunate in having had its merits brought before the world in its early days perhaps more extensively and favorably than any other part of the then "Backwoods of Canada." The names of Mrs. Trail and Mrs. Moodie may be almost said to be household words throughout the British world. Who has not read, with delight and admiration, those interesting books of Mrs. Moodie, "Roughing it in the Bush" and "The Backwoods of Canada," and in later years that valuable collection of Mrs. Stuart's letters published under the title, "Our Forest Home"? And who is there that does not consider a historical society fortunate that commences its existence with Mrs. C. P. Trail as honorary president, a Rogers as president, and a Strickland as honorary vice-president, to say nothing of the other men and women of prominence associated with its beginnings? What an

* The Council has called the attention of the authorities to the extraordinary discrimination by the Imperial Post-office in favor of United States as against British magazines, but so far it has been found impossible to effect any change in the postage rates to remedy this objectionable condition of affairs.

interesting field for research is opened out by the mere mention of these historic names!

Five years ago the Pioneer and Historical Association was, as the name implied, merely an association of the pioneer and historical societies. Its total membership, according to the constitution, was eleven, being one for each affiliated society. At the September meeting this representation was increased to three from each local society. In May, 1898, the Society was reorganized under its present name, "The Ontario Historical Society," radical changes being effected in its basis and objects.

Provision was made for various classes of members in addition to the delegates from local societies. The new membership has grown at a satisfactory rate. There were on the Society's rolls on the 22nd of last month forty *ex-officio* members, beginning with the distinguished names of His Excellency the Governor-General and His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor; six honorary, six corresponding and 216 annual members—268 in all—in addition to the delegates from local societies, who, if the societies were fully represented by persons not already members, would make the total membership 337, as compared with eleven five years ago.

The number of local historical societies is steadily increasing. Instead of eleven we have now twenty-three in affiliation with this Society: the York Pioneers, the Lundy's Lane Historical Society, the Niagara Historical Society, the Peel Historical Society, the Elgin Historical and Scientific Institute, the Thorold and Beaver Dams Historical Society, the Simcoe Historical Society, the Wentworth Historical Society, the Perth Historical Society, the Norfolk Historical Society, the Bruce Historical Society, the Lambton Historical Society, the Halton Historical Society, the Women's Wentworth Historical Society, the Belleville and Bay of Quinte Historical Society, the County of Victoria Historical Society, the Oxford Historical Society, the Peterboro' Historical Society, the Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa, the Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto, the Prince Edward County Historical Society, the London and Middlesex Historical Society, and the Women's Historical Society of Bowmanville.

In the reorganization the Society undertook original work, the following paragraph being added to the statement of its objects as set forth in the constitution:

"(2) Also to engage in the collection, preservation, exhibition and publication of materials for the study of history, especially the history of Ontario and Canada; to this end studying the archæology of the

Province, acquiring documents and manuscripts, obtaining narratives and records of pioneers, conducting a library of historical reference, maintaining a gallery of historical portraiture and an ethnological and historical museum, publishing and otherwise diffusing information relative to the history of the Province and of the Dominion, and in general encouraging and developing within this Province the study of history."

Besides forming a centre of intercourse and co-operation for the local societies, and promoting the establishment of new organizations, the Society has from the beginning moved steadily and continuously along the lines laid down.

Our Act of incorporation includes a simple and expeditious mode of incorporation of local societies. A simple resolution of our Council affiliating a local society incorporates the latter *ipso facto* without any expense.

The Society, besides publishing its annual transactions, has issued already three valuable volumes of "Papers and Records," and has a fourth now in the press, with a fifth ready to follow almost immediately. Moreover, as I have already stated, it has made arrangements from time to time with departments of the Dominion and Provincial Governments whereby official reports and publications of historical interest have been distributed among its members.

Formerly we had no abiding home. Under the reorganization the Society fixed its headquarters, with the consent of the Minister of Education, at the Educational Department, Toronto, where already we have the nucleus of what will ultimately become a valuable museum and historical library.

With the same consent we secured the services of the provincial archæologist, Mr. David Boyle, as our secretary. The constitution provides that the Minister of Education for the time being shall be honorary president of the Society. Last April we held a joint meeting with the Historical Section of the Ontario Educational Association. In these ways and to this extent we have connected the Society with the educational system of the Province.

The Society has taken an active part in promoting the preservation of historic sites and the erection of monuments to commemorate important historic events.

Since our last meeting the monument to Laura Secord, for which funds were collected in small amounts under the capable and energetic direction of Mrs. J. H. Thompson, as chairman of the Monuments Committee, was unveiled in the old cemetery at Lundy's Lane by the late

Mrs. George W. Ross, whose sudden death caused so much sorrow throughout the Province. The bust is a work of artistic excellence which will add to the high reputation of the sculptress, Miss Mildred Peel.

The contract has been given for the monument of General Simcoe, the first Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada. Mr. Allward, the sculptor, lost no time setting about his task. The model has already been completed and approved. It is hoped that before many months the finished work will grace the Queen's Park at Toronto.

In these and other ways we have been trying to promote a spirit of true patriotism and a more intimate knowledge of the historic past, from which the present has been evolved, and of which the future weal or woe of our country will be but the development.

You will observe that whilst the scope of the provincial Society's operations is defined, the local organizations are not so limited. Any historical or pioneer society may apply for affiliation, and may thereafter, as before, pursue its own objects in its own way. The Ontario Historical Society has mapped out a path for itself, which local societies may adopt or not, as they may deem expedient.

Shall we devote a little time on this occasion to a discussion of the value of history. A man's experience is an important part of his working capital. It is the same with a nation and with mankind as a whole. Consider how largely our civilization is based on recorded experience. That is history. It has been called the memory of the human race, and as one of the wisest of men even went so far as to say: "Histories make men wise."

History widens the outlook. It is the grand generalization; the ledger that shows at a glance the balance of the account; the log-book that shows whence we came and whither we tend. With adequate knowledge of the past, we comprehend the present more thoroughly, and face the problems of the future with greater confidence. It is not without reason that the prophets are always depicted as old men, for their hoarded experience it is that enables them to see into the future. But when the memory is gone what is left? History is a people's memory. Conceive, if you can, a nation with its past obliterated. Its civilization is yet to begin. To imagine the human race without a history we must revert to primitive man, "probably arboreal." Character, national or individual, depends upon history. "The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." Evolution reasserts the doctrine. Given the past history of a race or a family, and one may with some degree of accuracy apprehend its present characteristics and forecast its future.

An acquaintance with history is a large part of what we call culture, for it teaches wideness of sympathy, truth in word and act, the habit of hearing both sides, an equal standard of national and individual aim and achievement, just judgment, true perspective and right proportion, whilst familiarizing us with the best that has been accomplished in the world. It teaches humility and simple faith. With the achievement and triumph we hear the acknowledgment of man's littleness in presence of the infinite forces that environ. The Breton fisherman's prayer is universal through the ages :

> "The sea is so great
> And our boat is so small,"

With pride of accomplishment comes the feeling of responsibility, of failure to reach the ideal aimed at, and thus comes the incentive to more strenuous struggle and effort. Basal elements of human character, self-reliance, self-respect, patriotism, veracity, wonder, reverence, faith in an everlasting purpose and the infinite goodness, are profoundly affected by the study of history. It is the searchlight we throw upon the future. Our ideals, our hopes and fears, are consciously or unconsciously moulded by our estimate of the past experience of the race, as we contemplate "the last of life, for which the first was made," or as another has expressed it,

> "That far off divine event
> To which the whole creation moves."

It is the phonograph that retains and repeats to us the voices of the ages that are gone. It is the Marconi coherer that catches, faintly though it be, the message of the coming centuries. The religion of mankind is inseparably bound up with its history, and the historians also are among the evangelists and prophets.

Few who have devoted attention to history will dispute that it is interesting. There is all the triumph of a discoverer in following the streams of tendency back to their tributaries and primal sources, and then from the fountain head retracing them ; observing how they originated, by what internal forces they were impelled, by what external influences modified ; how they stagnated in morasses, were narrowed and deepened in chasms, tumbled tumultuously down the torrent bed, spread tranquilly over the bottom lands, fertilizing and irrigating, or were dammed back by obstructing masses until, gathering strength, they broke down all barriers and swept everything away in their headlong and resistless course. At last we see them combine into the majestic river, "strong without rage, without o'erflowing full," bearing navies

upon its bosom, exchanging their rich argosies with products of every clime across the vast oceans of the universe.

Let me illustrate. A year ago a brilliant orator, biographer and statesman of Britain referred to the prime minister of Canada as "a Canadian by birth, and therefore an Imperialist by birth." In epigrammatic phrase he summarized four centuries of Canadian history, beginning with Cabot's landfall in the Gulf of St. Lawrence in 1497 and ending with the final charge at Paardeberg and the review of the Colonials by the late Queen in 1900. For in tracing the history of Canada who can help observing that the forces at work throughout its picturesque and strangely varied phases combined all through the centuries to produce, we might say necessarily and inevitably, the result which is so much in evidence to-day—a people more British in sentiment than the British themselves, keeping alive, as a sacred fire, the once almost extinguished spark, cherishing the ideal of a united empire through good and evil report, until it has become the watchword of the race throughout the world. The stars in their courses fought for Sisera, and they also fought for the predominance of the British race in North America and of British nationality in Canada, and for the expansion and permanence of a United British Empire throughout the Seven Seas. That is one of the interesting aspects in which the history of the Dominion presents itself to the student.

Reading the history of Canada one asks instinctively, Why did the French explore only and not colonize? Why did Canada, except a short, narrow strip of river front on the St. Lawrence, remain a wilderness for three centuries after its discovery until the Loyalist refugees fled from the Thirteen Colonies and sought homes beneath the North Star? Why did it not revolt with its sister dependencies after the conquest? We find that the causes have operated from the very beginning, and the conditions, governmental, racial, religious, commercial and military, were such that the best part of Canada remained a special reserve, a virgin soil, for the growth of a British nation under the British flag, to be a missionary of Imperialism in its best sense to the Mother Land and to the civilized world.

It is the difference between the French and British race and between the French and British systems; between autocracy with governmental initiative and control on the one side, and democracy and individualism on the other; between restriction and freedom of commerce; between a deliberate policy of Imperialism limiting itself to the military occupation of isolated posts, and discouraging settlement in order to promote the interests of a particular traffic, on the French side, and a natural and

spontaneous expansion of settlement independent of and frequently in opposition to the desires of the authorities, on the side of the English colonists. Thus it came about that at the conquest, whilst a few score thousands represented the entire population of New France, Ontario, and to a large extent the Maritime Provinces, were unknown except in their outlines. On the other hand the English colonists were already numbered by millions. France had pre-empted the St. Lawrence and Mississippi basins, but was powerless to hold them. France discovered and explored; England occupied and exploited. France sowed; England reaped. France surrendered the territory with indifference as a few acres of snow; Britain seized it and made it the brightest jewel in the Imperial crown.

Our places of meeting, and the route to be followed to-morrow, by a natural association of ideas, carry the mind back to the first recorded exploration of the chain of lakes and rivers known as the Trent valley system, and the beginnings of French dominion in what is now Ontario. And at once the great figure of Champlain rises before the imagination. His comprehensive mind grasped the future greatness of Canada. For nearly a third of a century he devoted his life to New France, sacrificing on its altar his means, his prospect of advancement in the Old World, and his domestic happiness. To the end of his life he entertained the hope of finding by way of the St. Lawrence the path to China and the South Sea. To this end he trained and sent out interpreters and explorers, the precursors of the famous *coureurs de bois*. They paddled up mighty rivers to their sources, visited remote tribes in the recesses of the interminable forest, and reported upon the character of the country, the native tribes, and the communications by land and water. Earnestly desiring the systematic colonization of the new territory, he found himself engaged in a life struggle with apathy at Court, the opposition of the fur company, religious bickerings, commercial selfishness and political shortsightedness. Checked and foiled at every point, he fought on to the last with a sublime optimism, and dying on Christmas Day, 1635, left an undying name as the first great Canadian.

Champlain was the first white man, of whom history speaks, who saw and followed in his canoe the Kawatha Lakes. It was in the year 1615 that he led the Hurons and Algonkins in their unsuccessful foray against the Iroquois. Leaving the village of Cahiague (not far from Orillia) on the 1st September, he arrived on the shore of Lake Couchiching, three leagues distant. The Narrows was already a famous fishing spot, where fish were taken in nets and winter-cured. From the palisades employed by the fishermen to close up the strait, Lake Simcoe

was known to the French as Lac aux Claies, or Lake of the Fish-weirs. In the slight openings that were left the nets were placed.

Brulé and twelve stalwart savages in two canoes were dispatched from the Narrows, doubtless by way of the Toronto portage and the west end of Lake Ontario, to notify the allied Eries, or Carantouanans, who had promised to join the invaders with five hundred men before the Iroquois town.

Champlain continues: "They set out on the 8th of the said month, and on the 10th following there was a hard white frost. We continued on our course toward the enemy, and made some five to six leagues [twelve and a half to fifteen miles] in these lakes. Thence the Indians portaged their canoes about ten leagues [say twenty-four miles] overland, and we came to another lake, extending six to seven leagues in length and three in width [no doubt Balsam Lake], from which issues a river which empties into the great Lake of the Entonhonorons [the Senecas, on Lake Ontario]. Having crossed this lake we passed a rapid [or waterfall]. Continuing on the course of said river, always downstream, about sixty-four leagues, which is the entrance of the said Lake of the Entouhonorons (*sic*), and going, we passed five falls [or rapids] by land, some of them four to five leagues in length, and passed through several lakes of considerable extent, as also the said river, which is very abundant in good fish. Certainly this whole country is very beautiful and agreeable. Along the bank it seems that the trees were planted for pleasure in most places, also that all these countries were inhabited in past time by Indians, who were afterwards forced to abandon it through fear of their enemies. Vines and walnut trees are there in great abundance. Grapes come to maturity, but there remains always a sharp acidity, which is felt in the throat when eaten in quantity. This is the result of lack of cultivation; what grows in cleared land is pleasant enough. Deer and bears are plentiful; for proof of the fact we hunted them and took a considerable number while descending the river. To do this four or five hundred Indians formed a line in the woods until they reached certain points extending into the river; then stepping in order with bow and arrow in hand, shouting and making a great noise to startle the beasts, they keep moving until they reach the end of the point. Now, every animal that finds itself between the point and the hunters is forced to take to the water, otherwise they are at the mercy of the arrows shot by the hunters. Meanwhile the Indians in the canoes stationed on purpose along the bank easily approach the deer and other animals, hunted and harassed and greatly bewildered as they are. Then the huntsmen kill them easily

with sword blades stuck in wooden handles like half pikes, and thus carry on their hunting, as also in like manner in the islands, where there is plenty. I took a singular pleasure in seeing them hunt in this manner, observing their dexterity. Many were shot with the arquebus, at which they were greatly astonished. It happened unfortunately, however, that in shooting a deer, an Indian by mistake came between and was wounded by an arquebus shot, unintentionally, as it is to be presumed. A great uproar follows amongst them, but it was appeased by giving a few presents to the wounded man, which is the regular mode of appeasing and terminating quarrels; and if the wounded person should die, presents are made to the relatives of the slain. Game is very plentiful in the season. There are many cranes, white like swans, and other kinds of birds like those in France."

From the indications given by Champlain it seems probable that he proceeded along the east shore of Lake Simcoe to the mouth of Talbot Creek, and followed the long portage to West Bay on Balsam Lake. Laverdière, however, supposes that he crossed to Sturgeon Lake. The distance estimated by Champlain, twenty-four miles, would carry him to Cameron's or even to Sturgeon Lake. But the early explorers frequently and very naturally overestimated the length of portages, and the more probable inference is that he followed the trail, which is now the Portage Road, to its terminus at the fort on Balsam Lake. In this view of his description, the rapid he mentions would be that near the mouth of Burnt River.

Mr. George E. Laidlaw, in his interesting papers contributed to the provincial archæological reports, considers it probable that the early inhabitants, who had disappeared before Champlain's time, were Hochelagans of the Cartier epoch. Mr. Laidlaw has, in his careful and systematic contributions, preserved for future generations a valuable record of the prehistoric population of the upper end of the Trent valley. The reports of our secretary, Mr. Boyle, on the same subject are too well known to call for special mention.

In his notes to the large map of 1632 Champlain again gives the following concise description of the Trent river system: "This river is very beautiful, and passes through a number of beautiful lakes and meadows with which it is bordered, many islands of various dimensions abounding in deer and other wild animals, very good fishing spots of excellent fish, and a great deal of very good cleared land, which has been abandoned by the Indians on account of their wars. The river empties into Lake St. Louis [Ontario], and many tribes go to these regions to hunt for their winter supply."

From Champlain's description it is clear that the Trent valley was then uninhabited, through fear of the Iroquois, but that there were traces of recent occupation by a peaceable and sedentary savage community. The investigations of Mr. Boyle and Mr. Laidlaw have confirmed the explorer's statement. They have discovered unmistakable proofs of occupation by numerous and populous villages of Iroquoian type, antedating European contact.

The heroic and far-seeing explorer sleeps in the ancient capital he founded. His dream of a great western empire under the French crown was not realized. The descendants of his king are in exile. The power of the old *noblesse* is long extinct. The parliament of Paris no longer registers the royal decrees. The reign of the common people prevails in the France of the Bourbons. The great and venerable Church, to which king and courtier rendered a willing and devoted allegiance, is treated with scant respect by the authorities of the republic. The Jesuits are banished. The religious orders that remain in the land of the Médicis and Richelieu are there on sufferance. With other times have come other manners. It is another France, and the spirit of the great explorer would doubtless be appalled at the transformation could he revisit it in the twentieth century.

But not less amazed would he be at the changes effected on the borders of the St. Lawrence. He would see his small "habitation" of Quebec grown to a mighty Dominion extending from sea to sea. Instead of the mere handful of traders and settlers that he knew, he would find a million Frenchmen established in comfort, and in peaceful enjoyment of their language, religion, institutions and laws. His tiny capital has become a stately city, with a cathedral and churches and institutions venerable with age. Its great university, its hospitals and other institutions of charity and mercy, would gladden his eye and heart. The quaint familiar figures of monk and priest and nun would remind him of Rouen and St. Malo rather than of the Quebec he knew. When he quitted the stage the black-robed Jesuit was the only religious person to be seen on its streets. Huguenot and Recollet were impartially excluded from the St. Lawrence. The picturesque birch canoe has given way to the electric launch, the sailing vessel to the colossal steel steamboat, the Indian trail to the steam railway and the trolley, the portage to the canal-lock and power-house, the forest to rich farms and flourishing cities and prosperous villages. All would be strange and marvellous to the old explorer.

But stranger than all would be the new flag floating from the citadel and government house and legislative and judicial palace. Pike and

arquebus and culverin are of course gone forever, but where are the golden lilies of the old *régime?* And what of the old *régime* itself? Can those red-coated militiamen, marching under the red-cross banner of St. George, be the descendants of the Frenchmen he knew? And he would learn with a strange surprise that more than once his New France had battled bravely and successfully under the flag of her ancient enemy. He would hear of the prolonged struggle on far-off African fields, in which the existence of the empire of Britain was at stake, and how French-Canadian and British-Canadian had fought, side by side with Australian and New Zealander and men from Aberdeen and Devonshire and Enniskillen, to maintain the honor of the Greater Britain, of which New France was part. He would find men of his blood and faith on the bench, at the bar, in the legislative halls, in the government of the Province and of the nation, or directly representing the King's authority and majesty in the ancient capital, and one dominating the councils of the whole nation, chosen by the free voice of a majority of the people of both races and of all creeds,

> "To mould a mighty state's decrees,
> And shape the whispers of a throne."

A zealous partisan of his faith, Champlain would regard with something akin to horror the numerical preponderance of the heretic in his New France, for had he not excluded the Huguenot and made Canada the special preserve of the Church of his devotion?

But patriot as he was, and loyal to his land and ancestral faith, he might easily console himself with the thought that under the new allegiance his people enjoyed more liberty, prosperity and happiness than under the old *régime* of tyranny and repression, and as much freedom in the exercise of their religion as in the most Catholic country in the world, and in some respects more than in the land of their origin.

Champlain had some faults of his age and environment, but he was a great man, of noble impulses, great courage, determined purpose, indomitable perseverance, wise diplomacy; a sincere patriot, a devout Christian, a good man. As Charlevoix says, he may well be called the Father of New France. In the book of gold of Canadian heroes his name is properly the first to be enrolled.

A word of personal reference before I close. With many duties, official and otherwise, claiming my attention, I have endeavored during the last five years to devote as large a share of my time as was consistent with other claims upon it to promoting the interests of this Society. Of my shortcomings I am only too conscious. I have failed

to accomplish much that I desired, but I can at least say that I have striven with what power and opportunity I possessed to keep before the public the Society's objects and aims, to utilize our scanty means efficiently and at the same time economically, to impress upon the Government and Legislature its financial needs, to urge the formation of new societies, to make the machinery of the organization run effectively with as little friction as possible.

So far as success has attended my administration of its affairs it is largely due to the harmonious and efficient co-operation of the Council. I may be permitted to refer particularly to the services of our secretary, Mr. Boyle, and our vice-president, Mr. James, upon whom the large burden of the general work has fallen. Mr. Yeigh has rendered valuable service as treasurer, in keeping the accounts methodically and accurately, as might be expected from him. Mrs. J. H. Thompson, chairman of the Monuments Committee, has shown extraordinary zeal and energy. Her services have been valuable in other lines of the Society's work outside of her special duties. The Rev. Mr. Thomson has also devoted much valuable time to the Simcoe Monument Committee, the results of which will appear when the work is completed. In handing over my duties to my successor I feel confident that he will be powerfully aided by a Council of able men and women, and that the Society's interests will be guarded faithfully and well.

REPORT OF CONVENER OF FLAG COMMITTEE.

Your Committee report that in compliance with a resolution passed by your Society that the Minister of Education be respectfully asked to have entered in the Educational Report of the Province some questions about the flag, that a courteous reply was given promising to give effect to this resolution.

At a meeting of the Dominion Teachers' Association, April 2nd, Historical Section, Mr. Barlow Cumberland, one of our Committee, gave a paper on "The Flag," and this resolution was heartily endorsed: "That in the proposed enrichment of our national flag the single maple leaf be our distinctive emblem thereon."

MRS. C. FESSENDEN.

June 5th, 1902.

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S STATEMENT ONTARIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY, JUNE 1ST TO MAY 31ST, 1902.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, June 1st, 1901	$337 65
Government grants	700 00
Membership fees	120 27
	$1,157 92

DISBURSEMENTS.

Secretary's salary	100 00
Printing annual report	87 05
Payment on account of printing Galinée volume	211 30
Other printing and stationery	24 25
Postage	24 27
Press-clipping Bureau	15 00
President's and Secretary's disbursements	67 18
Half of expenses of delegate to Royal Society, Ottawa	12 00
Paid balance in final settlement of Laura Secord Monument account	3 50
Cash on hand	613 37
	$1,157 92

FRANK YEIGH, *Treasurer.*

Audited and found correct.

J. J. MURPHY,
W. A. MCLEAN.

HISTORICAL MUSEUM FUND.

Balance on hand, June 1st, 1901	$287 10
Interest	13 05
Balance on hand June 1st, 1902	$300 15

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Money Letter from Alex. McLean to Justice McLean, Kingston.

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A Warrant issued November 2nd, 1841. Arch. McLean.

Subpœna, Court of Chancery, Regina. John S. McDonald. In the matter of the Market Lots, Cornwall.

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Chattel of Stephen Perry. Signed by Geo. Anderson. Issued 11th day of February, 1835.

Warrant of William McAlpine. Signed, Chas. Small.

Grant. Rosannah Thompson. 200 acres, Township of Wolford, District of Johnstown. Recorded in the Registry Office, November 10th, 1802.

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Indenture made 3rd April, 1809, at York. Signed by Joshua Leach.

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